
INCARNATE WORD HIGH SCHOOL



Financial Data 2011-2012 School Year Expenses & Frequently Asked Questions about Tuition Assistance & Scholarships

Please note the following:

- The schedule for tuition and fees for 2012 will be published in early spring. The enclosed information is for general information purposes only. All fees are subject to change.

**Incarnate Word High School
Financial Data for School Year 2011-2012**

The following is a recently published list of approved tuition and fees for the 2011-2012 School Year at Incarnate Word High School. The tuition rates for 2012-2013 school year are set in early Spring 2012.

(A) Assessed to all students

Name of Fee	Amount	Notes
Tuition	\$7,650.00	
General Fee	\$410.00	Commitment Payment (non-refundable) will hold your space
Registration Fee	\$105.00	Non-refundable
Graduation Fee	\$150.00	Non-refundable Seniors Only
Technology Fee	\$75.00	Non-refundable
Parent Teacher Organization	\$175.00	Non-refundable
Deferred Payment Plan	\$35.00	Waived for those making a single, one-time full tuition payment.
Domestic Student Insurance	\$315.00	Mandatory for all students (Note: can be waived w/proper documentation).
International Student Insurance	\$700.00	Mandatory for all International Students
Wellness Fee	\$100.00	Non-refundable

(B) The following fees are fees a student may incur during an academic school year

Name of Fee	Amount	Notes
Add/Drop Fee (per change)	\$25.00	
Advance Placement Course Fee	\$98.00	Per AP Course
Applied Music Fee - Piano	\$730.00	Piano
Art Course Fee	\$35.00	Per class
Boarding Fee	\$18,700.00	
Cheer/Dance Coaching Fee	\$350.00	
Collection Fee	\$50.00	
Emergency Fund Deposit	\$1,000.00	Assessed to all dorm residents (refundable upon graduation).
Tuition Assistance Application Fee	\$15.00	
Housing Deposit	\$1,500.00	Assessed to all dorm residents (refundable upon graduation).
ID Card Replacement Fee	\$10.00	
International Processing Fee	\$250.00	
Late Payment Fee	\$25.00	
Late Registration Fee	\$25.00	
Library Fines	Varies	
Madrigal /Choir Course Fee	\$50.00	
Parking Fee	\$35.00	
Return Check Fee	\$25.00	
Science Course Fee	\$20.00	
Testing Fee	Varies	
Transcript Fees	\$3.00	For every official transcript

(C) Expenses Payable to Third Party Vendor (estimates for the current school year)

Name of Fee	Amount	Notes
Books	\$600	Purchased at University of Incarnate Word (UIW) Book Store
Uniforms	\$300 - \$350	Purchased from Dennis Uniform Store
Shoes	\$52 - \$65	School Shoes Unlimited

English As A Second Language (ESL) Classes: Additional charges will apply for International Students not proficient in English. *ESL course fees and rates are payable to Incarnate Word High School.* Please consult the Business Office for a listing of the most current rates for ESL (210) 829-3115.

ALL FEES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE

QUESTIONS COMMONLY ASKED BY FAMILIES

1. *What is tuition assistance?*

Tuition assistance consists of funds given to families who demonstrate a financial need for assistance with tuition expenses at Incarnate Word High School.

2. *How is tuition assistance determined?*

To determine need, Incarnate Word High School will require families to complete a tuition assistance application. Families requesting tuition assistance must submit an entire signed copy of the most current IRS Income Tax Form (including copies of all W-2 forms, schedules, and attachments). There is a \$15.00 application fee that is made payable to IWHS. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed. When determining awards, the Tuition Assistance Committee considers income, assets, essential living expenses, family size, and the number of students at tuition charging institutions. The Tuition Assistance Committee also considers the earning potential of a non-working parent if no small children are at home. Families with children at other independent schools or in college are expected to apply for tuition assistance from those schools as well.

3. *Who can apply?*

Any student who has been accepted to Incarnate Word High School, paid the pre-registration fee, and demonstrates a financial need (as determined by the IWHS Tuition Assistance Committee) can apply for tuition assistance. **Incoming freshman are eligible to apply for tuition assistance with the understanding that if awarded, the funds will not be applied to their account until beginning of the second nine weeks of their freshman year.**

4. *How much tuition assistance may I expect to receive?*

Each case is considered individually. The primary responsibility for financing the student's education rests with the family. After all of the family's own resources have been exhausted, parents may wish to apply for tuition assistance. In no case will the school offer a grant that represents 100% of tuition expenses.

5. *Where do I get an application for tuition assistance and what are the deadlines?*

Parents may request the confidential application for tuition assistance from the Business Office. Completed applications must be returned to the Business Office by the application deadline. Deadlines are set as follows:

- **February (last business day of the month)** – Applications for the upcoming school year will be available in the Business Office.
- **May (last business day of the month)** - Completed applications are due to the Business Office by the close of business.
- **June**-Applications will be reviewed and awards determined. Notification to the parents will be mailed.
- **September**- Assistance might be offered again in September based on funds available. Please check with the Business Office in early September.

****Although additional applications will be accepted after deadline dates, it is possible that funds will be exhausted.***

6. *Is tuition assistance renewable each year?*

A new application must be filed with the Business Office each year. Changes in your financial status may affect the amount of the award.

7. What are the payment options for the tuition expense?

Incarnate Word High School offers three (3) payment options to help make private education a reality.

- 1.) **Plan A-** Payment in Full. Parents can pay tuition in full and receive a 3% discount
- 2.) **Plan B-** Semester Payments. Payments are due twice a year, once in July and again in December.
- 3.) **Plan C-** Monthly Payments. Ten (10) equal monthly payments beginning in July and ending in April.
Note: Tuition assistance and/or Scholarships are applied to the student's tuition account to in order to reduce your ten (10) monthly payments. At no time can an award be used for the complete monthly amount due.

A 10% discount is given for each additional daughter simultaneously enrolled at IWHS or a 5% discount if the student has a sibling enrolled at St. Antony Catholic High School.

8. Can I lose my tuition assistance during the year?

Recipients of tuition assistance are expected to meet the same standards of performance as all the other students enrolled. If a student withdraws from IWHS or is asked to leave, tuition assistance awarded will be withdrawn.

Below is a quick financial self-evaluation designed to help you determine if you would qualify for tuition assistance.

- Is the total household income more than \$40,000 per year? Y/N
- Is this a single parent household? Y/N
- If NO, are both parents employed? Y/N
- Do you have other dependents in tuition paying schools? Y/N
- Do you own (or are you purchasing) your home? Y/N
- Does any member in your household have a retirement fund? Y/N
- Does any member in your household have a savings fund/account? Y/N
- Is anyone in your household named in a trust? Y/N
- Do you have a relative who could help in any way financially? Y/N

If you answered NO to most of these questions, you may want to consider applying for tuition assistance. These questions are in no way intended to determine if you will receive an award but are only intended to give you a general indication if you would qualify for some level of assistance. We encourage you to apply to Incarnate Word High School for tuition assistance if you feel your financial circumstance fall within the criteria outlined in this information sheet.

9. Will Incarnate Word High School accept outside scholarships?

Yes, our Business Office will require proof of the scholarship(s), which can be a copy of the award letter or certificate. It is the parent's responsibility to be ensure that the scholarship check is sent to IWHS. We will be happy to provide whatever information that may be needed to show proof of enrollment for your student.

Note: All scholarships, tuition discounts, and tuition assistance are applicable to tuition only. Families are responsible for all fees, books, uniforms, etc.

FRESHMAN SCHOLARSHIPS

Academic Distinction Scholarship

Students who maintained a grade point average of 96 or higher during their 7th and 8th grade years are eligible to receive a one-time scholarship of **\$1,000.00**. In order to receive this scholarship parents must provide verification of their student's grades in writing from the student's respective middle school by no later than the close of business **August 31st, 2012.**

Brainpower Scholarship

Students of St. Anthony Catholic School and St. Peter, Prince of the Apostles School will be offered annual scholarships of **\$1,500 – up to four years** – to attend either Incarnate Word High School or St. Anthony Catholic High School. Recipients must meet and satisfy all admissions requirements. Student must immediately enroll in the Brainpower high school for the scholarship to be activated (students will be ineligible for the scholarship if they enroll at a non-Brainpower high school after graduating from St. Anthony or St. Peter). Once enrolled, the recipient must remain in good academic standing to retain eligibility.

High School Placement Test (HSPT)

Based upon the highest scores achieved on the High School Placement Test, the Admission Committee awards fifteen (15) academic scholarships valued at **\$1,000.00** each. Every student who takes the HSPT on the assigned day at IWHS is eligible for a High School Placement Test Scholarship. These are non-renewable scholarships.

Mother Pierre Jeanne Cinquin Scholarship

Also offered is the Mother Pierre Jeanne Cinquin, CCVI Scholarships. Four (4) half-tuition scholarships are awarded to students who meet the qualifications as stated in the application. Students must come in person to IWHS to pick up an application which will be available in the Front Office. Complete the entire application (including teacher/principal recommendations and personal essay) and send the completed packet together. **Packets must be returned to the Enrollment office by the designated date/time (to be announced at a later date) in order to be considered for these scholarships.** Please contact the Enrollment Office (210-829-3123) for the release date.

Note: Recipients of this scholarship are not eligible for the HSPT or Valedictorian/Salutatorian Scholarship in their freshman year.

The IWHS Alumnae Association Scholarship

Provided by the IWHS Alumnae Advisory Board, a volunteer organization, scholarships are distributed among freshman, sophomores, juniors, and seniors. These amounts vary depending on the year's fund raising efforts. Recipients are selected on the basis of financial need, academic record, teacher recommendation, and parental interest in IWHS alumnae activities. The IWHS Alumnae Advisory Board awards the scholarships on the recommendation of the Scholarship Committee. **All students wishing to be considered for the Alumnae Scholarship must apply on the official application form by June 10th in the year preceding tenure.** Applications should be addressed to: IWHS Alumnae Relations, 727 E. Hildebrand, San Antonio, TX 78212.

Valedictorian / Salutatorian Scholarships

A scholarship in the amount of **\$2,000.00** will be awarded to any student, accepted for admission to IWHS who graduates as the valedictorian or salutatorian from their middle school class. These students then become eligible for \$2,000.00 scholarships each year thereafter if they remain in the top 10% of their class. In order to receive this scholarship parents must provide verification of class standing in writing from the student's respective middle school by no later than the close of business **August 31st, 2012.**

SCHOLARSHIPS

The Incarnate Word High School Scholarship Program, funded through private donations, provides an opportunity for students to be honored for their academic achievements. Returning students in the 10th, 11th and 12th grades may complete one general application for the following scholarships (applicable for the upcoming school year).

- IWHS Scholarship (Five (5) scholarships will be awarded per class)
- National Honor Society, Parent/Teacher Organization, Student Council Scholarships (Number of scholarships awarded varies based on funding)
- Salsa Scholarship (Number of scholarships awarded varies based on funding)

Applications are available in the Business Office beginning the last week of February and are due back by the close of business during the last week of May.

Scholarship qualifications:

- GPA 90.0 or above
- Review of Academic/Behavioral Status
- An essay describing your accomplishments and contributions to IWHS.
- Student must be pre-registered for the upcoming school year.

OTHER FUNDING SOURCES

Aramark

Incarnate Word High School partners with Aramark Food Services in order to provide a non-profit program that allows parents to volunteer working the concession stands of local events such as concerts, rodeos, sporting games, etc. A percentage of the revenues made selling concessions are automatically applied towards your daughter's tuition. For more information about this program please contact the Business Office at 829-3115.

Hope for the Future

IWHS encourages parents to apply for the Hope for the Future tuition assistance program. Hope for the Future provides need-based tuition assistance for Catholic and non-Catholic students who meet eligibility requirements and enroll in one of the Catholic schools in the Archdiocese of San Antonio. For more information about this program please visit this website: <http://hopeforfuture.org>.

Sallie Mae Loan

Some families seek tuition assistance through private lending companies and banks. Qualified families may be able to receive a K-12 Loan through Sallie Mae. Please visit www.salliemae.com/k12loan for more information.

Incoming freshmen may want to inquire at their churches, parishes, or organizations such as The Knights of Columbus, Altar Society, Men's Club, Mother's League, etc. for assistance with tuition expenses. In the past, incoming freshmen have brought scholarships with them from their middle schools. Check with the main office of your current school to see if they offer tuition assistance. You may also check with the Human Resources Office at the parents' place of employment to see if tuition reimbursement or scholarships for high school are offered. Also, inquire with parents' professional organizations or unions for scholarship or financial aid opportunities.

If this brochure has not answered all your questions, please contact the Business Office, 727 E. Hildebrand Ave, San Antonio Texas 78212 (210)-829-3115.

The High School Administration reserves the right to change or alter any statement herein without prior notice. In fairness, however, students and parents are informed of policy changes as they occur.