

Guidelines/Criteria

- The family is required to complete a *FACTS Grant and Aid* application for 2020-2021 to determine need; <https://online.factsmgt.com/aid>
- If a family has more than one child applying for the *Bishops' Scholarship for Excellence*, a separate application must be completed for each child.
- The completed *Bishops' Scholarship for Excellence* application should include:
 1. *An essay written by the student, (minimum of two pages/maximum of three pages, typed and double-spaced, and no staples please) on the topic:*

**St. Kateri Tekakwitha, St. Jose Sanchez del Rio, St. Martin de Porres,
St. Maria Goretti, St. Pier Giorgio Frassati, St. Therese of Lisieux**

The above saints began their journey to sainthood at a very early age. Some faced scorn and endured hardships, even death. Their pious and faith-filled lives served as an inspiration to those around them and continue to provide a spiritual role model for the youth of today. Research one or more of the saints listed above, describe in detail at least three of their characteristics that inspire you and how you would use that inspiration to make a positive impact on the people you encounter every day.

2. *The student's academic transcript or current report card attached.*
 3. *A brief written recommendation e.g., from a teacher, guidance counselor, or a parish staff member (not a family member) on page 4.*
 4. *Principal comments and the principal's signature on page 5.*
- Applications must be returned to the student's principal by March 1, 2020
 - Principals must submit all applications to the Office of Catholic Education by March 15, 2020.
 - Recipients will receive a letter by mail if a *Bishops' Scholarship for Excellence* has been awarded. A copy of the letter will also be sent to the student's principal

***Save the date:**

All 2020-2021 recipients, their parents, principal, and pastor will be invited to an awards ceremony/luncheon which takes place on June 22, 2020. Invitations will accompany award letters.

Completed applications are to be mailed to: The Office of Catholic Education
Attn: Cindy Williams
1404 East 9th Street
Cleveland, OH 44114

Application for the Bishops' Scholarship for Excellence

Student-Applicant:

Last Name	First Name
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Home Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Student's Grade in 2019-2020: _____ FACTS Grant & Aid application ID#: _____

School Student Attends: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Parish Name: _____

Pastor Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

List any extracurricular activities you are involved in at school, at your parish, or in your community. Feel free to list any additional personal factors including leadership or notable achievements:

*Please use another sheet if you need more space to write.

Principal Comments: (please print)

***Please verify that this application is accurately completed and that all documentation is included:**

- Application
- Student's essay
- Academic Transcript/or most recent report card
- Recommendation
- Principal Comments

****Please do not staple any papers together.**

Principal's Signature

Date

