

UNIVERSAL EdCHOICE

Q & A SESSION

TUESDAY, JULY 25TH 6:00 PM

MATER DEI GYM

All K-12 students in Ohio NOW qualify to receive a state-funded scholarship that could cover a portion or, in some cases, the full-cost of their Catholic school tuition. Your child's specific EdChoice Scholarship amount [depends on your family's 2022 gross annual income and size](#). This amount could be as much as \$6,165/year for children in grades K-8, and \$8,407/year for children in grades 9-12, but will be no less than \$650. Mater Dei Academy has always been an Ed Choice provider. This development does not change our school, our stringent admissions policies, or our standards in any way. It simply allows our families to access state funds to support their choice of a Catholic Education. Use this link to [access our original information letter](#).

In order to maximize the state funds available, many Catholic schools are updating their tuition to match the scholarship amount. The finance staff at Mater Dei Academy has decided to do the same in order to be eligible for the full amount available in scholarship funds that could come to our school. Therefore, the new tuition rate for the 2023-2024 school year will be \$6165-which is only an increase of \$650, and brings our tuition to the maximum allowable for a Universal EdChoice Scholarship. **No family will be asked to pay any more than previously allotted under the old tuition plan and tuition assistance and other scholarships will be applied on an individual basis for anyone not receiving the full EdChoice Scholarship.**

Realizing that this may cause questions and confusion, we have scheduled a "townhall" type meeting on Tuesday, July 25th in order to answer your questions and have staff available to collect your applications on an individual basis. **If your child is already receiving an EdChoice scholarship, you need to do nothing further.**

If you feel comfortable with the information already presented, please feel free to use the links below to complete your child(ren)'s application(s) and upload or bring the application information to school. The school office is open from 8:00 am-1:00 pm daily or you can email your application materials to jskalicki@materdeiacademy.us or kvrban@materdeiacademy.us.

The link is also provided to complete the online income information. **Income verification is required for all new EdChoice applicants.**

How do I apply for the Universal EdChoice Scholarships?

[EdChoice application form](#)- open, complete and sign and either upload to Mrs. Skalicki or Mrs. Urban, or bring the paperwork in to the school office, along with a proof of residency document (a gas or electric bill that shows your address of service and mailing address.

[Income verification portal](#)- utilize these directions and link to provide income verification.

[Estimated EdChoice scholarship based on income](#)- use this link to estimate what your child's EdChoice award would be based on income.