

# Saint Michael Lutheran School

## PreK 3 - 8th Grade

### 2023-24 Tuition Information

Besides the highest quality educational experience, we offer a very competitive rate schedule. Tuition INCLUDES the one-time Application Fee (\$150) and annual Enrollment Fee (\$400).

Grade Levels	2023-24 Tuition (includes fees)
PreK 3	\$8600
PreK 4	\$8900
Kindergarten – 1 <sup>st</sup> grade	\$9400
2 <sup>nd</sup> – 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade	\$10,800
4 <sup>th</sup> - 5 <sup>th</sup> grade	\$10,900
6th grade	\$11,100
7 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> grade	\$11,700

**Multi-Child Discount:** This discount is for related children, enrolled in PreK - 8<sup>th</sup> grade at the same time, who are being paid for by one party. It allows a 5% reduction in the second youngest child’s tuition (after fees); 10% in the third youngest child’s tuition (after fees); and 15% in tuition for the fourth youngest child (after fees).

**Church Member Discount:** As a member in good standing of St. Michael Lutheran Church of Fort Myers, you may be entitled to a 10% reduction in elementary school tuition from the regular premium rate. To qualify for this tuition reduction, the congregation expects each parent to demonstrate their Christian life by - at a minimum - regular worship attendance, support via offerings, and participating in one or more areas of church and school life.

**Full Payment Discount:** Many families take advantage of our “Full Payment Discount” by which one can take 5% off the balance owed at contract signing.

#### Financial Assistance

**FACTS Grant and Aid:** There are many factors that influence financial aid decisions, including the availability of school resources, the number of qualified applicants, and overall budgetary constraints. Families seeking direct financial assistance from Saint Michael must apply for the state funded Step Up For Students Scholarship and comply with the requirements indicated by the FACTS Grant & Aid system online at [www.factstuitionaid.com](http://www.factstuitionaid.com).



**Step Up for Students:** Step Up for Students is a nonprofit organization that administers the Florida Tax Credit Scholarship and Family Empowerment Scholarship-Educational Options (both are income based); Hope Scholarship (for victims of bullying in public school); and the Family Empowerment (for students with specific diagnoses).



**Family Empowerment Scholarship-Unique Abilities:** This scholarship was formerly known as the Gardiner Scholarship and now encompasses recipients of what was once referred to as the McKay Scholarship. The Family Empowerment Scholarship for Students with Unique Abilities (FES-UA) provides access to an education savings account (ESA) that functions like a bank account from which you direct funds to pay for tuition and fees for a private school, homeschooling options, therapies, tutoring and more. This scholarship is for students with specific diagnoses. Go to the Step Up for Students website at [stepupforstudents.org](http://stepupforstudents.org) to see a list of who is eligible and the documents you will need to apply. If you wish to be considered for our Resource Services at SMLS, appropriate documentation must be uploaded to the online application prior to the admission screening. All students must meet our minimum requirements to be considered for admission.

#### Saint Michael Lutheran School Admission Policy

*Saint Michael School admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. Saint Michael School does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.*