



# St. Stanislaus Kostka School

"Do not walk through time without leaving worthy evidence of your passage." Saint John XXIII

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**Mrs. Elena Malinconico**  
Principal

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"Bloom where you are planted."

March 21, 2019

Dear St. Stans' Families:

On this first full day of spring, our thoughts turn to warmer, longer days and the promise of rebirth all around us. I think of the fact that you have chosen to plant your children here to grow; and that as we come to the home stretch of this school year; it is amazing to see the growth our students have experienced physically, spiritually and emotionally...they are blooming!!

Enclosed in this white envelope you will find information about Rosetta Stone and how the grading will proceed for marking period three. Please review it and should you have any questions please contact me. I have been receiving very positive feedback from students at all grade levels. I also have included (one final time) the tuition grant/assistance program. Completion of this online form is due by March 30th. Please consider completing this paperwork so that you might receive the benefit of some financial assistance and the school will benefit as well with funding that is always in short supply.

One final item, you will find information about an online program called Yubbler.com. All of our school supply lists have been uploaded to this site. You can go directly there and order all your supplies in one spot without having to look for each item individually and they will be sent directly to your house. You will simply need to select the grade level and the entire list will be boxed for you. The added bonus of this program is that they are giving us a percentage of their profits. Please read the enclosed information sheet and see the discounted deals they have for early ordering.

In His Peace,

Elena Malinconico  
Principal

## Spanish Grading Process with Rosetta Stone

We are now two weeks into our work with Rosetta Stone, many students are enjoying the program and progressing through it quite nicely. I have heard it referred to as fun, easy to use and challenging when it comes to the course work. We have developed grading guidelines for grades 4-8 and grades K-3. At the conclusion of each marking period we will reevaluate the procedures and adjust accordingly. The program provides proctoring teachers with great data and information.

1. The last week of each month your child will be given a individual curriculum report which shows their progress and development.

### Grades K-3

These students grades are initially going to be based on time on the program as they learn to navigate the requirements of the program.

Marking Period 3 they will need to spend a minimum of 15 minutes on the program per week. Each week they will be given a grade accordingly:

15 minutes of work time	100
13-14 minutes of online work	85, 90
10-12 minutes of online work	69, 73, 77
Below 10 minutes of online work	65

These online times are worth 100% of the students grade in this class.

## Grades 4-8

The grading will be weighted this way:

Time on program each week	20%
Quiz Grades	35%
Test Grades	45%

Time on program will be given a grade each class with an expectation of 30 minutes per class period.

	Numerical Grade
30 minutes	100
28-29 minutes	95
26-27 minutes	85
24-25 minutes	80
22-23 minutes	75
20-22 minutes	70
Below 20 minutes	60

Units listed as Core Lessons, will count as a test score. The score the student receives on Rosetta Stone will be the grade entered into PowerSchool.

All other units will count as quizzes. The score the student receives on Rosetta Stone will be the grade entered into Power School. Students are expected to complete at least 2 entire units in the course of a marking period.

We will enter the current tests and quizzes for the third marking period and begin entering time spent grades when the marking period begins.

All of these items will be closely monitored through the marking period and we will make adjustments as necessary.

# St. Stanislaus Kostka School

## Yubbler.com

### School Supplies Program

Dear Parents,

Our school is participating in a school supplies program with Yubbler.com this year. When you purchase your school supplies on Yubbler.com, our school will receive 50% of the profits!

One click ordering makes back-to-school shopping simple!  
All lists are teacher approved  
Parents can customize orders (buy only what you need)  
Quality, name-brand products you trust  
Low prices and free next-day shipping to your home  
The school gets half the profits!

Register for a **coupon code** here:

**<https://www.yubbler.com/Yub/Details/28337?couponreg=true>**

Remember to order by July 31<sup>st</sup> so you get your supplies before the 1st day of school.

**Visit**

**<https://www.yubbler.com/>**



## DIOCESE OF METUCHEN

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Department of Education

January 2019

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Thank you for choosing to give your child(ren) the gift of a Catholic school education, a gift that we realize is given at great sacrifice for many families.

For the 2019-2020 school year, we are blessed to make our tuition scholarship program available to families who need financial aid. Scholarships are made possible through *The Foundation for Catholic Education (FCE)*, an endowment fund that provides financial support to aid low-income families who send their children to our elementary and high schools.

To be eligible your child(ren) must be Catholic, must be entering grades K-12 in September 2019, must be registered with your household in one of the parishes within the Diocese of Metuchen (please see the list of eligible parishes on the back of the Application Instructions Form), and must attend 1 of our 22 diocesan, parochial, or regional elementary schools, or Bishop Ahr or Immaculata High School. Students attending the two private high schools in our Diocese (St. Joseph High School and Mount Saint Mary Academy) will need to seek assistance directly from those schools.

Families that require computer access and/or assistance with the online application may attend one of two FACTS Online Application Workshops. Staff and FACTS representatives will be on-hand to walk families through the application process. Both workshops will have Spanish-speaking staff available to assist families.

**Application instructions, with deadlines, and an Application Workshop schedule are attached or online at [diometuchen.org/tuition-assistance](http://diometuchen.org/tuition-assistance).** Please note, **you are responsible for completing the Parish Verification Form, getting it signed by your Pastor, and returning it to the FCE at the mail or email address provided. We are not able to consider an application without this form, signed by the Pastor.** Please call your parish if you are uncertain about your registration status. If you have application questions, please call our Tuition Assistance Hotline at 732.562.1990, ext. 1610.

Thank you for the blessing you are to our children and our church and for your commitment to Catholic school education.

Sincerely,

Ellen Ayoub  
Superintendent of Schools

Enclosures



# Foundation for Catholic Education Scholarship Fund

## Foundation for Catholic Education Scholarship Program 2019-2020 FGAA Application Instructions

Families applying for financial aid will need to complete an online application at <https://online.factsmgmt.com/aid>. The application period is now open and will officially close on **March 31, 2019**. Awards will be announced on or before the first week of June 2019.

Online applications are available in Spanish and English. The application fee is **\$35** and **must** be paid online at the time you submit your application, otherwise your application is considered incomplete. Forms of payment include debit cards, most major credit cards, or an electronic check.

### ELIGIBILITY

#### To be eligible to apply for a Foundation for Catholic Education Scholarship:

- Student must be Catholic;
- Student must be entering grades K-12 in September 2019;
- Student must be attending one of our 22 diocesan, parochial, or regional elementary schools, or Bishop Ahr or Immaculata High School;
- Student must be registered in one of the parishes within the Diocese of Metuchen (see list of eligible schools and parishes on reverse side or go to [www.diometuchen.org/tuition-assistance](http://www.diometuchen.org/tuition-assistance) to view a list); and
- **Your parish must verify that you are registered, and you must submit a Parish Verification Form signed by you and your Pastor**
  1. Forms are available for download at [www.diometuchen.org/tuition-assistance](http://www.diometuchen.org/tuition-assistance) or from your school
  2. **Forms must be mailed or emailed to the Foundation for Catholic Education**  
**By Mail:** The Diocese of Metuchen, Foundation for Catholic Education, 146 Metlars Lane, Metuchen, NJ 08840-0191  
**By Email:** [FCE@diometuchen.org](mailto:FCE@diometuchen.org)
  3. Forms are due to the FCE by no later than March 31, 2019. **If your parish registration is not verified, your application will be considered incomplete and will not be reviewed for an award.**

### APPLICATION

#### Documents required, but not limited to, include:

Copies of your 2017 Federal Income Tax Return Form 1040, 1040A, or 1040EZ (as filed with the IRS) for the applicant and co-applicant, including all supporting tax schedules.

- Copies of your 2018 W-2 form/s for both you and your spouse or co-applicant.
- Copies of supporting documentation for Social Security Income, Welfare, Child Support, Food Stamps, Workers' Compensation, and TANF.

#### Supporting documentation can be:

- Scanned and uploaded in .pdf format directly to your application;
- Faxed to 866.315.9264; or
- Mailed to FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment, P.O. Box 82524, Lincoln, NE 68501-2524. **Please be sure to include your applicant ID on all faxed or mailed correspondence. Do not mail documentation after April 3, 2019.**
- **NO APPLICATIONS ARE ACCEPTED BY MAIL, and the link will be deactivated April 16.**

### WORKSHOPS

- Attending a workshop is not required – attend if you need one-on-one assistance with the application or computer/internet access.
- Workshops will be held at Perth Amboy Catholic School, 500 State Street, Perth Amboy on:
  1. Wednesday, January 23, 2-4 pm and 6-8 pm (Spanish translator available)
  2. Thursday, February 7, 2-4 pm and 6-8 pm (Spanish translator available)
- For general questions about the application, contact a FACTS Customer Care Representative at 866.315.9262, or call the Tuition Assistance Hotline at 732.562.1990, ext. 1610.
- Registration is not required—Assistance is first come, first served.

Diocese of Metuchen ~ FCE Scholarship Fund  
FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment  
Online Application Workshops  
2019

**Parents/Guardians who need assistance with the online application, or computer/internet access may attend one of two scheduled workshops. Registration is not required, but assistance is on a first come, first served basis. Available workshop locations, dates and times are:**

**Perth Amboy Catholic Upper School, 500 State Street, Perth Amboy**

Wednesday, January 23, 2018, 2 pm to 4 pm and 6 pm to 8 pm (Spanish Translator Available)

Thursday, February 7, 2019, 2 pm to 4 pm and 6 pm to 8 pm (Spanish Translator Available)

If you applied to FGAA online in a previous school year, please bring your username and password.

Please bring as much of the following documentation as you have available:

- a copy of your 2017 IRS Federal Form 1040, 1040A or 1040-EZ US Individual Income Tax Return (if Applicant and Co-Applicant file separately, we require both tax returns for the same tax year);
- Copies of all 2018 W2, 1099, or 1099R Wage and Tax Statements for both the applicant and co-applicant;
- Copies of all applicable supporting tax schedules;
- Copies of all supporting documentation for household non-taxable income such as Social Security Income, Welfare, Child Support, Food Stamps, Worker's Compensation, or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF).

If you have any questions regarding the FACTS Online Application Workshops, please call  
732.562.1990, extension 1610.

## PERMISSION SLIP

### BOOK CLUB

Mrs. Bellouny will be facilitating the after school Book Club which will meet on Tuesdays from 2:00-3:00 from the week of April 8 - May 27 and will be open to students in grades 1 & 2. Please be aware that you will need to provide your own pencils, crayons or colored pencils. **It is important to be aware that meetings will be cancelled in the event of adverse weather conditions (snow or early dismissals).**

As per our school policy, students that are not provided with transportation home by 3:05 PM will be put into the After Care program at an hourly rate.

For safety reasons, students will be required to attend all meetings unless we receive a parent note or a phone call to the office stating otherwise. Students are not permitted to call home regarding club meetings. For this reason, parents are asked to look over monthly school calendars carefully to note meeting dates. In fairness to all, students who are uncooperative or not actively participating will be removed from the book club.

**Please fill out and return this sheet no later than Monday, April 1<sup>st</sup>.**

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I request that my child join the 2018-2019 school Book Club. I have read and agree to the above-stated conditions.

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

In the event of an emergency, I can be reached at the following phone number from 2:00-3:00 PM on meeting days:

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## PERMISSION SLIP

### GIRLS ON THE RUN

The after school Girls on the Run Club under the direction of Mrs. Vitale & Mrs. Smith will meet on Tuesdays at 2:00-3:00 PM from the week of April 8 thru May 27. Members will be open to female students grades 5-8. Meeting dates will be indicated on the monthly school calendars. Students will need to wear gym uniforms, sneakers and will need to provide their own water bottle.

**It is important to be aware that meetings will be cancelled in the event of adverse weather conditions (snow or early dismissals).**

As per our school policy, students that are not provided with transportation home by 3:05 PM will be put into the After Care program at an hourly rate.

For safety reasons, students will be required to attend all meetings unless we receive a parent note or a phone call to the office stating otherwise. Students are not permitted to call home regarding club meetings. For this reason, parents are asked to look over monthly school calendars carefully. In fairness to all, students who are uncooperative or not actively participating will be removed from the club.

**Please fill out and return this sheet no later than Monday, April 1<sup>st</sup>.**

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I request that my child join the Girls on the Run Club. I have read and agree to the above-stated conditions.

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

In the event of an emergency, I can be reached at the following phone number from 2:00-3:00 PM on meeting days:

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**Girls on the Run Parents:**

In order for the girls to have a safe place to run, we will be taking them to the park across the street from the church. You will still pick up your daughter at the school at 3:00. Please be sure that your daughter has her gym uniform to change into and sneakers. Please sign and return this form by Monday, April 1<sup>st</sup>.

Thank you!

Mrs. Vitale

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My daughter \_\_\_\_\_ has permission to go to the park with the Girls on the Run Club.

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

# 2019 MIDDLESEX COUNTY SPRING FOOD DRIVE

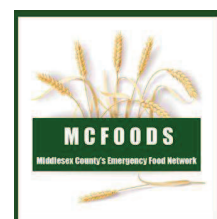
## To Benefit MCFOODS:

Middlesex County's Emergency Food Distribution Network serves over 120 local food pantries, soup kitchens and social service agencies each week.



Please bring your donation to school between March 25th and April 15th to help replenish our supply of food and ensure that all Middlesex County residents in need have access to nutritious foods and necessities, such as:

- Canned Chicken
- Canned Meats
- Macaroni & Cheese
- Stew
- Vegetables
- Peanut Butter
- Granola Bars
- Pasta
- Fruits
- Paper Products
- Diapers & Wipes
- Soap, Shampoo, Toothpaste
- Dry Beans (red, black & Pinto)



*(Canned and packaged goods only. NO glass items please.)*

The 2019 Middlesex County Spring School Food Drive is supported by the Middlesex County Board of Chosen Freeholders, The Middlesex County Improvement Authority, MCFOODS and the Middlesex County Superintendent of Schools.

Monetary contributions accepted year round by Feeding Middlesex County, the new non-profit organization supporting MCFOODS and emergency food providers.

Checks can be made payable to Feeding Middlesex County and sent to:  
PO Box 781, Edison, NJ 08818, 732-723-8106

**CONTACT MCFOODS:** 101 Interchange Plaza, Suite 202, Cranbury, NJ 08512

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