

Wisconsin Parental Choice Program (WPCP)

The state of Wisconsin provides the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program (WPCP) to eligible students in parochial and non-public schools. Through it, school tuition is covered in full by the state. St. John's Lutheran School will continue to participate in this program in the 2019-2020 school year. Student eligibility for the WPCP is determined by family residence, family income, and prior year school attendance. Students applying for the WPCP at St. John's must (1) be applying to grades K5 or 1; OR (2) meet one of the following requirements for the 2018-2019 school year: (a) attended a public school in Wisconsin; (b) attended school in another state; (c) not enrolled in school (includes students homeschooled for the entire 2018-2019 school year); (d) participated in the MPCP, RPCP or WPCP; (e) on a MPCP, RPCP or WPCP waiting list; OR (3) on any prior year WPCP waiting list in 2015-16 or later due to a school district enrollment cap. All students must meet the residency requirement every year.

Parents may apply for the WPCP between February 1st and April 20th. Families currently enrolled in the program must still apply each year, but are only required to meet the income eligibility in the first year.

For new families to the program, to meet the income requirements for the program a student's family must have an **Adjusted Gross Income** no greater than the table shown below in regard to family size (parent(s) and child(ren) are added to family size). Please note that Adjusted Gross Income includes all taxable income and certain income deductions. Your AGI is listed on line 7 of the 2018 tax form. Please note the difference between single parent yearly income and married family yearly income in the table below.

2019-2020 Maximum Income Limit - Adjusted Gross Income

Family Size	Single Parent Yearly Income	Married Family Yearly Income
1	\$26,708	
2	\$36,212	
3	\$45,716	\$52,716
4	\$55,220	\$62,220
5	\$64,724	\$71,724
6	\$74,228	\$81,228

For each additional member add \$9,504

Parents must complete the on-line parent application available at: dpi.wi.gov/choice. An email is required to use the online application. Parents may only apply during the open application periods between February 1 through April 20th. In addition to completing the on-line application, parents must provide income documentation (if applying for a new student) and residency documentation (for all students) directly to the school they apply to during the application period or their application is ineligible. Parents/guardians of new applicants must show they are income eligible by either: (a) providing their social security numbers or taxpayer identification number and having the Department of Revenue determine whether the student is income eligible for the program; or (b) using the Department of Public Instruction's income determination method by answering a series of income questions in the on-line application and providing paper income documentation to the school as directed in the application during the open application period. Applicants must also provide proof of residency directly to the school during the open application period.

For more information how the WPCP might serve your family, contact Principal Mueller at [920-261-3756](tel:920-261-3756).