

## Information regarding Scholarship Granting Organizations (SGO)

The Diocese of Birmingham has partnered with Scholarship Granting Organizations (SGO) to offer students an opportunity to attend our Catholic Schools. Parents are encouraged to contact the individual school to determine which SGO would work best for them.

***We respectfully request for all families to pay attention to this information to see if it is applicable to you OR to share with someone who isn't currently involved in Catholic education but has a desire to attend a Catholic School.***

### Types of Scholarship Applicant:

1. First time applicants from failing public schools
2. First time applicants who meet "School Enrollment Requirement" (see below), but who are not from a failing public school
3. First time applicants who are current students at the school and meet the "Household Income Requirement" (see 4<sup>th</sup> student discussion below)
4. Repeat applicants – students who received a scholarship in prior school years.

### Two Primary Requirements for FIRST TIME Scholarship Applicants:

1. "Household income Requirement" – applicant's family must meet the income requirements (see below)
2. "School Enrollment Requirement" – must be one of the following:
  - a. Will be 5 year old kindergarten student during scholarship school year
  - b. Homeschooled during previous year
  - c. Attended public school for at least one report card period during previous school year

**4<sup>th</sup> Student** – For every 3 students who meet both the Household Income Requirement and the School Enrollment Requirement, the school may add 1 student who is a current student at the school if the student's family also meets the Household Income Requirement. This 4<sup>th</sup> student does not have to meet the School Enrollment Requirement, but must be school age.

### Household Income Requirement

# in Household	Maximum Income
2	\$30,441
3	\$38,443
4	\$46,435
5	\$54,427
6	\$62,419
7	\$70,411
8	\$78,403

### Documents to bring for application process:

#### Student Applicant Documentation

- \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Certificate
- \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Card
- \_\_\_\_\_ Report Card or transcript
- \_\_\_\_\_ Custody/Guardianship Documents (for children living with custodial guardian)

#### Household Income Documentation

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Form 1040** – Please provide for BOTH parents, whether living in the household or not, and for any additional adults living in the household.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Social Security/Disability Statements or 1099** – Must account for the FULL previous tax year. Must be provided for every household member who received benefits for previous tax year.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Unemployment Benefits Statement** – Must account for the FULL previous tax year. Must be provided for every household member who received benefits in previous tax year.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Current Child Support Statements** – Must account for the FULL previous tax year. Must be provided for every child in the household who received support previous tax year.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Workers' Compensation Benefits Statement** – Must account for the FULL previous tax. Must be provided for every household member who received benefits in previous tax year.