

Your Game Plan



Questions?

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Questions regarding tuition, payment schedules, and financial services

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Questions regarding tuition assistance and scholarships

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Affording a Mount de Sales Education

At Mount de Sales, we are confident that our rich, Catholic heritage, challenging academic courses, real-world environment, and outstanding student successes make this journey the best investment your family will ever make.

We want to help you understand the cost to educate a Cavalier and help you develop a game plan that fits your family's specific needs.

This brochure is intended to supply you with an overview of expenses to anticipate and general information regarding the Academy's financial aid and scholarship program.

Tuition & Fees

What are the tuition policies, applicable fees, and payment options?

Expenses to Anticipate

What additional expenses are incurred by families?

Tuition Assistance & Scholarship Highlights

How and when do families apply for financial aid?

Tuition & Fees

Tuition Policies/Rates

The MDS Board of Trustees establishes policies and rates in February of the preceding academic year. Typically, tuition is raised 2-4% a year, though every effort is made to keep tuition at the lowest amount possible while continuing to employ quality teachers and providing solid resources for students. All policies and rates are subject to change. The amounts shown below are for the 2024-25 school year.

Tuition: \$17,200 per student in grades 6-12

Student Fees 2024-25 School Year

- Application Fee, due with Admission Application: \$100 (waived for alumni and current families)
- New Student Registration Fee, due with Enrollment Agreement - \$75
- Enrollment Fee, due with Enrollment Agreement (deposit, applied to tuition) - \$250
- Warner Robins Transportation Service (Optional) - one-way is \$500/year; two-way is \$1000/year
- After School Care (Optional) - \$20/day drop-in rate
- Senior Fee, due from families of seniors in August - \$200

Payment Plans

All payment plans, tuition payments, and fees are run through and collected by FACTS. There is an annual FACTS fee of \$20 for Preferred and Deferred plan or \$50 for Monthly and Bi-Monthly plans, which is collected by FACTS.

- Preferred - 100% of tuition paid by July 20
- Deferred - Two equal payments paid on July 20 and January 20
- Monthly - Monthly payments begin in June (through May) and will be automatically debited from your bank account either the 5th or 20th of each month, whichever you select.
- Bi-Monthly - Payments begin in June (through May) and will be automatically debited from your bank account—one half of your payment will be processed on the 5th, and the other half processed on the 20th of each month.

Expenses to Anticipate

Uniforms – Families purchase uniforms through Dennis Uniform. Pieces range from \$24 for PE shorts to \$54 for girls skorts. Polos for middle school students are \$27 and oxford shirts for upper school students are \$35. Pants are \$35 and fleece jackets are \$43. The MDS Parents Association hosts a gently-used uniform sale each spring.

Lunch – FLIK Independent School Dining provides a variety of lunch and breakfast options daily. A full meal ranges from \$6.00-\$8.50/day.

Cavalier Gear – Cavalier Club, the athletic booster club, runs the Cavalier Gear Trailer at Cavalier Fields during home games. The Back Porch, the on-campus student store, is open weekly during the school year. Both locations carry a variety of gear and spirit wear, including cups, visors, decals, t-shirts, seat backs, and more. Prices range from a few dollars to \$60+.

Events – On campus athletic and fine art event admission is free for MDS students and their immediate family members. Event prices range from \$5 to \$10 and are set by our GIAA Region.

Athletics – Parents that join Cavalier Club receive special perks, including reserved parking. Student-athletes can expect to pay for some personal items such as cleats, game day shirts, or travel gear. The cost is set by each coach and typically ranges from \$50-\$250.

Additional Optional Expenses – Families can expect to pay for certain smaller-priced items such as literary works for English classes, middle school supplies, calculators, tickets to school dances, student parking decals, club dues, field trip fees, and school and team pictures.

Questions? Contact us today!

Tuition Assistance

We work with each family to make an MDS education affordable.

Our tuition assistance and scholarship program is designed to provide educational opportunities to those students who qualify. More than 50% of MDS families receive need-based aid and scholarships. MDS utilizes FACTS to assist with financial aid and need-based scholarship assessment. FACTS is a well-established, third-party service that calculates each family's ability to pay and reports that information to MDS. All information reported to MDS by FACTS is kept completely confidential.

SAVE THE DATES

January 1, 2025:
FACTS Application Opens

March 1, 2025:
FACTS Application Due

Please note that families must apply and qualify for need-based financial aid through FACTS to be considered. Each year the number of qualified applicants exceeds the financial aid budget. Therefore, it is crucial to apply for financial assistance on or before the deadline.

Families are encouraged to begin a FACTS application prior to an offer of admission, but tuition assistance awards are made only to accepted students. Families applying after March 1st will be considered as funds remain.

All families applying for tuition assistance will receive a copy of our Financial Aid policies to guide them through their application. Families of all students who receive financial aid must re-apply for financial aid each year. Every effort is made to meet the financial needs of families.

Scholarship Highlights

MDS has a wide-variety of need-based, merit-based, and qualification-based scholarships, including opportunities for public school students, Latino students, Catholic families, educators, healthcare workers, military service members, veterans, first responders and more. We've listed several of our notable awards below.

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| • Francis de Sales Scholarship | Pillars of MDS Scholarships: |
| • Mercy & McAuley Scholarship | • Discover: Educators |
| • Goal Scholarship | • Innovate: Healthcare Workers |
| • Georgia Special Needs Scholarship | • Serve: Military, Veterans, & First Responders |

For more information on our scholarship opportunities, please visit our website:





The Fox Family



My husband and I both attended public schools, and we can confidently say that the experience at MDS has been superior in every way. We are committed to providing our son with the best education available, and MDS has exceeded our every expectation. The nurturing community and comprehensive education our son receives at MDS are unmatched, and we are grateful for the positive impact it continues to have on his life.



The Harrison Family



In today's challenging academic landscape, we were looking for a school that would provide our son with a challenging academic environment while nurturing his social and emotional growth. A partner who is as invested in our child as we are. We consider ourselves blessed to have found such a partner in Mount de Sales Academy. They have exceeded our expectations!

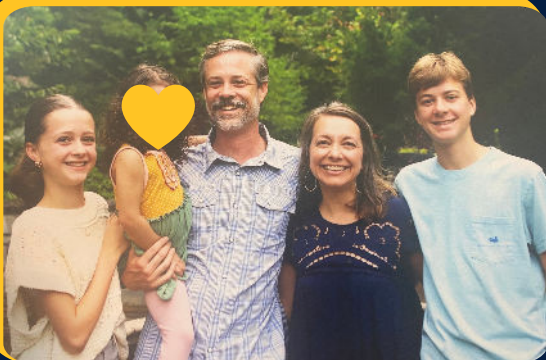
Our son has grown tremendously during his time at MDS.



The Kombrinck Family



We appreciate the communication from staff but also that the students are held accountable for the things that they should be able to manage. There are clear expectations for behaviors. We love that there's a big emphasis on shaping students to become people who care about the world and things outside of themselves. Not only are students encouraged to live out the fruits of the Spirit, the adults interacting with them are expected to do the same. We appreciate the Christ-centered environment.



The Griffin Family



There was no doubt after we toured SJS and MDS, that this was the place for our family. The down to earth, small Christian environment, and challenging academics were exactly what we were looking for. Once we experienced the balance of passionate tenured faculty with innovative ideas, a diversity of learners and families, and we moved downtown... well that was all bonus! Our children have some very special friendships and we are thankful to be Cavaliers!

We are a community called to excellence since 1876.