

FAIR (Financial Aid) INFORMATION

Rochester Catholic Schools has chosen to provide families with the option of completing the FAIR financial aid application online. FAIR is a nationally recognized leader in financial aid assessments for private and parochial schools nationwide. Their service provides Rochester Catholic Schools with a reasonable assessment of each family's financial situation.

If you wish to complete a paper form or would like assistance completing your application (either online or paper), please contact your building secretary to request a paper form or assistance.

There are no income limits when applying for assistance. Each family's unique financial situation is considered when assessing need. It is the responsibility of Rochester Catholic Schools to decide how to best meet the needs of its students and families. All information is held strictly confidential and will only be released to the authorized school administrators.

The online application is easy to complete with help and instructions throughout the process. Applying online will allow you to submit the application from any location with internet access. The online application is available at www.fairapp.com.

You will need the following to complete and submit your application online:

1. Your School Code is **150** and School Password is **racs150**
2. A valid email address
3. A credit card (Visa or MasterCard) to complete payment processing – fee is \$27, this is the final step in completing the online application. Without this payment the application will not be processed by FAIR. Only one application needed per family. If the tuition is to be split between two parents, both parents will need to complete an application.
4. A complete copy of your 2011 Federal Income Tax Return with all schedules and W-2s – You will need either to mail or fax these documents to FAIR. Address and phone number information will be given to parent(s) once online application is submitted.

To begin the on-line application process, parents should go to www.fairapp.com and click on the "Parent Login" link. You can then create a user account using your email address and a password that you select. Once you have created a user account and signed in you will be able to complete the **FAIR** application on-line.

RETURNING USERS: Your email and password from the previous year are still active in our system. You can login without having to set up a whole new account. If you do not remember your password from last year please click on the "Forgot Your Password" link and your new password will be emailed to you.

You will receive a letter from the Rochester Catholic Schools accounting office in May informing you of your financial aid eligibility.

IMPORTANT: As FAIR reviews your application, they may have additional questions regarding your application or missing documentation and may contact you for additional information. Your application will not be **COMPLETE** until FAIR receives a response from you.