

# Tuition Assistance 2019-2020

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Tuition assistance is available for families who need financial support to pay their high school tuition. Assistance is available from two sources; (1) the Catholic Education Foundation (CEF) and (2) Mary Star of the Sea High School. **Families must re-apply each year for both sources of tuition assistance.** The application process for tuition assistance is outlined below:

## 1. Catholic Education Foundation – Tuition Assistance Program (CEF - TAP)

There are two cycles of TAP when applying for assistance from the CEF:

A. **TAP - Cycle 1** is the renewal process for **8<sup>th</sup> Grade Catholic School students who** are currently receiving CEF assistance.

- Applications will be available at your Catholic elementary school in October 2018.
- Families have two options to submit their Cycle 1 application:
  - (1) Families may choose to submit their application directly to CEF. These applications must be submitted by the January 11, 2019 deadline. These families will be notified of award renewals in March, 2019.
  - (2) Families may choose to submit their applications in person at an “on-site” high school location. The CEF will be “on-site” at MSHS on November 27, 2018. Families choosing this option must complete and return their application to the MSHS main office by Monday, November 5. Families who meet the onsite application deadline will receive an appointment time to meet with a CEF representative on November 27 and have their application processed. Notification of award renewals will be given on this day.

B. **TAP - Cycle 2** is available **to all other students:** current MSHS students seeking to renew their current CEF award, MSHS students who are not currently receiving CEF assistance, and any current non-Cycle 1 eligible 8<sup>th</sup> grade students (including public school students)

- Renewal applications will be available at the MSHS Main Office in October 2018.
- Anyone applying for CEF assistance for the first time should contact Mrs. Jeanna Alves in the school business office for an application. New applicants will be screened to insure that they meet CEF eligibility guidelines.
- Applications must be submitted to the MSHS Main Office by Monday, November, 5. The CEF will be on campus November 27, to process applications. Families who meet the application deadline will receive an appointment time to meet with a CEF representative and have their application reviewed. Attendance at this appointment is mandatory.

## 2. Mary Star Tuition Assistance

Families in need of tuition assistance can also apply directly to Mary Star of the Sea High School. To qualify, parents must:

- Apply to the CEF (see above for deadlines and procedures).
- Complete and return the application and all required documentation to the main office by **January 18, 2019**. Applications will be available in the main office starting October 1, 2018.
- Notification of awards will be mailed to parents on or before **March 11, 2019**.

*For all questions concerning financial assistance, please contact Mr. Michael Marinkovich at 310-547-1138, ext. 215.*