

FUNDRAISING PARTICIPATION POLICY

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Christian School funding minimums require a combination of income flow sources.

- 1) Sponsoring organization (Church), capital (buildings and furniture), and maintenance is by far the largest area of positive income flow.
- 2) Tuition provides the second largest amount of positive income.
- 3) Fundraising provides a critical and required amount of cash flow.
- 4) Private gifts from individuals are the smallest part of positive cash flow.

All four of these areas are required in order to operate and maintain a first class program and personnel.

This notice is specifically about area 3, fundraising. Either SCS raises funds in this manner or we will have to pass on a very significant increase in tuition.

Participating in fundraising events accomplishes even more than raising money. When parents pull together with their children to perform a function, and to save the family money, it teaches students that they also carry some responsibility for their educational expense. Likewise, when anyone invests “sweat” equity in a project they tend to have a sense of ownership and loyalty.

Therefore, the following will be the policy of SCS:

There will be approximately seven “major” fundraisers. Each family must participate in a minimum of four. That participation must result in a year-end total profit of \$500 or more.

(Example) Joe Corbi’s Pizza sale: Family sells at least 25 kits. Each kit returns \$5 profit. Therefore, family has a remaining balance of \$375.

(Example) Fall sale: Family participates one day or two evenings in advance, plus works the hours of the sale. That would be approximately 12 hours = \$125. The family now has a balance of \$250.

(Example) Spaghetti Dinner: Tickets cost \$8 each and family sells 16 tickets. Total is \$128. \$250 minus \$128 = a balance of \$122.

(Example) Walkathon: Family gets pledges that are collected that amount to \$125. In addition to previous examples, fundraising minimum is now satisfied for family.

Other events credited in manner similar to above.

If a family fails to earn a minimum of \$500, the signature below constitutes agreement for the balance uncredited to be placed on the family statement for payment.

Another alternative to participating as outlined above would be for the family to write a check for \$500 and not be concerned with the fundraisers.

I _____, the parent of _____, agree to abide by the fundraising policy of SCS or have a corresponding value added to my bill.

Signature _____

Date _____

School Official signature _____

Date _____