



QUINCY CATHOLIC
ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS
FOUNDATION

**Newcomer's Scholarship
Application Packet**

Submission deadline: April 4, 2025

Quincy Catholic Elementary Schools Foundation
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Newcomer's Scholarship: Applicant Eligibility Criteria

The QCES Foundation Newcomer's Scholarship is a partially need-based, full-tuition scholarship awarded annually to one student in Grades K-8, Catholic or non-Catholic, whose family does not currently have a child enrolled in one of Quincy's four Catholic elementary schools. Recipient names remain confidential.

Eligibility and Duration

- Applicants must have no children currently enrolled in one of Quincy's Catholic elementary schools.
- The recipient is selected based on demonstrated financial need and tuition assistance applications for the 2025-26 school year through the FACTS program.
- The scholarship is non-renewable beyond the first year but recipients may apply for tuition assistance in subsequent years.
- Families are invited to apply for tuition assistance in future years through the FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment.

Application Process

- Submit the Newcomer's Scholarship Application Form and a 250-word essay by **5 p.m. on April 4, 2025**, via mail or email to Sara Reuschel, Executive Director, QCES Foundation.
- Complete the online FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment, submit required documentation, and pay the \$40 processing fee by **11:59 p.m. on April 4, 2025**.

Additional Details

- Scholarships cover tuition only. Families are responsible for other fees, including the Resource Fee, which must be paid by the specified deadline. Failure to meet this requirement will result in disqualification.
- Other tuition assistance, such as credits from the Gene Grawe Fund, will be applied first, with the scholarship covering the remaining tuition balance.

Withdrawal and Reevaluation

- If a family withdraws or fails to meet eligibility, the scholarship may be reallocated to another qualifying family.
- The QCES Foundation Board reserves the right to modify scholarship criteria as needed.

Notification of Scholarship Award

- Recipients will be notified via email. Recipients must confirm acceptance of the scholarship before it is applied to their account.

Newcomer's Scholarship: Applicant Packet Checklist

_____ Complete the QCES Foundation Newcomer's Scholarship Application Form.

_____ Write an essay of 250 words or less (typed or handwritten) to explain why it is important for your child to receive the QCES Newcomer's Scholarship and why you wish to enroll your child(ren) in one of the four Catholic Elementary Schools.

_____ Submit the completed application and essay by 5 p.m. on April 4, 2025 to the QCES Foundation Office via mail at 1721 College Ave., Quincy, IL 62301 OR by email to director@quincycatholicschools.org.

_____ Complete and submit the FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment Application Form, along with supporting documentation (W2s, 2020 tax return, etc.), and the required processing fee by 11:59 p.m. on April 4, 2025.

Newcomer's Scholarship: Application Form

This completed application must be submitted to the QCES Foundation office by 5 p.m. on April 4, 2025 either via mail at 1721 College Ave., Quincy, IL 62301 or via email to director@quincycatholicschools.org. All applicable information requested on the form must be completed in full in order for the application to be considered by the selection committee.

PLEASE PRINT

Father's Last Name _____ Father's First Name _____

Mother's Last Name _____ Mother's First Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Preferred Email Address(es) _____

Scholarship recipient(s) will be notified via email.

Please list the requested information below for the child for whom you are applying to receive the QCES Foundation Newcomer's Scholarship.

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Current Age _____

Current School Attending _____ Current Grade Level _____

Please list the requested information below for all children you wish to enroll in a Quincy Catholic Elementary School for the 2025-26 school year:

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Current Age _____

Current School Attending _____ 2025-26 Grade Level _____

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Current Age _____

Current School Attending _____ 2025-26 Grade Level _____

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Current Age _____

Current School Attending _____ 2025-26 Grade Level _____

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Current Age _____

Current School Attending _____ 2025-26 Grade Level _____

As part of the application process for the QCES Foundation Newcomer's Scholarship, applicants must submit an essay of 250 words or less explaining why it is important for your child to receive this scholarship, and why you wish to enroll your child in one of Quincy's four Catholic Elementary Schools. The essay may be handwritten or typed and must be submitted by the deadline in order for the application to be complete.

My/our signature(s) below indicate(s,) that in addition to this application form, I/we understand as part of the application process for the QCES Foundation Newcomer's Scholarship, I/we must also complete and submit aFACTS Grant & Aid Assessment Application Form by the specified deadline. I/we further understand that I/we must submit on a separate sheet of paper, an essay of 250 words or less explaining why it is important for my/our child to receive the QCES Foundation Newcomer's Scholarship, and why I/we wish to enroll my/our child in one of Quincy's four Catholic Elementary Schools. The essay may be handwritten or typed and must be submitted along with this application form by 5 p.m. on April 4, 2025 to the QCES Foundation office, 1721 College Ave., Quincy, IL 62301 or director@quincycatholicschools.org.

Father's Signature _____ Date _____

Mother's Signature _____ Date _____