

## Knights of Columbus

FREDERICKSBURG COUICIL No. 4034 P.O. Box 146 Fredericksburg, Virginia 22404

# Conor Jerome Catholic Education Assistance Program Scholarship Grant Application Elementary School Student

### Section 1. Background

The Conor Jerome Catholic Education Assistance Program (CJCEAP) is a need-based scholarship grant program developed and administered by Fredericksburg Council #4034 of the Knights of Columbus. The purpose of the program is twofold:

- a. To give deserving students the financial means to continue their Catholic school education, and
- b. To provide financial assistance in the form of grants to families who, because of financial difficulties, are unable to fully pay the current year's tuition at Holy Cross Academy, Fredericksburg, VA.
- c. This program does NOT provide financial assistance for students enrolled in the Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception Parish Religious Education Program.

The dollar value of the grants to be awarded under this program is between \$1,000.00 and \$2,000.00. The dollar value of each grant will depend on the number of grants that are awarded. Grants are for the current academic year only. Families may reapply for grants in succeeding academic years if financial difficulties persist or recur.

The Knights of Columbus is a non-profit organization established to perpetuate the legacy of Father Michael McGivney, the found of the Knights of Columbus.

The purpose of the Knights of Columbus is to increase awareness of the many notable contributions made by our founding father; to support educational assistance programs; to support and promote community service; and to improve the social conditions through charitable, religious and social welfare involvement, rendering mutual aid and assistance to sick and needy members and their families, and providing insurance products and annuities to benefit members, wives and children.

Throughout the year, Council 4034 members diligently work together as a fraternity and in many cases with our community to coordinate activities, events, and various projects that create camaraderie, goodwill, and esprit de corps.

Our interest and desire to participate in community efforts have no bounds.

#### Section 2. Eligibility

For a student and family to be eligible for consideration, the following criteria must be met:

- a. The family must be active parishioners registered with St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Fredericksburg, VA.
- b. The student must be attending Holy Cross Academy, Fredericksburg, VA.
- c. The family must demonstrate financial need.
- d. The student must demonstrate a potential for academic success.
- e. Parent(s) must volunteer/help at Holy Cross Academy.

#### **Section 3. Grant Application Procedure**

Parents must complete the enclosed Grant Application Form. Use the back of the form if additional space is needed to answer specific questions. If the back of the form is used, please indicate which question the additional information pertains to. Failure to use the Grant Application Form or provide requested information will result in rejection of the application.

Grant applications should be placed in an envelope marked CJCEAP – CONFIDENTIAL and mailed (postmarked) no later than Friday, November 13, 2020 to:

Fredericksburg Council #4034 ATTN: CJCEAP Scholarship Grants/Steven Stoecker Post Office Box 146 Fredericksburg, VA 22404

The information provided by the family will be reviewed by a Council committee to determine the eligibility of the student. All information provided will be held in strict confidence.

All families submitting grant requests will be notified by mail whether their grant request submissions were approved by November 30, 2020.

Scholarship grants awarded under this program are paid directly to Holy Cross Academy.

Sincerely,

Stephen J. Stoecker, PGK Scholarship Director Knights of Columbus Council 4034 www.kofc.org

# CJCEAP Scholarship Grant Elementary School Application Form

1.	Name, age and grade of the student:
2.	Name(s) of parent(s):
3.	Names and ages of other dependent children:
4.	Circumstances leading to family's financial need (use back of form if more space is needed):
5.	List the leadership positions held by the student:
6.	List the student's parish and school extracurricular activities:
7.	The parent(s) involvement with St. Mary's Parish and Holy Cross Academy:
8.	Any additional information you deem appropriate for consideration: :
In	addition to the above information, please provide the following documentation:
1.	Proof that the family meets the school's criteria for financial aid (a copy of the current school year (FACTS certification).*
2.	A copy of the student's report card from previous school year.
3.	This application must be postmarked <b>no later than November 13, 2020.</b>
	Parent's Signature Date

<sup>\*</sup> Holy Cross Academy will provide verification that the family has applied for financial aid through FACTS Grant & Aid and meets the school's criteria. Parents should not submit any financial information with this application.