

## **Parish Support**

Catholic schools are a ministry of the Diocese of Salt Lake City and all parishes with an income of over \$100,000 are asked by the Bishop to support this ministry through a parish assessment. An objective system of assessment and distribution of funds will be managed through the Finance office of the Diocese of Salt Lake City.

Each school will receive a portion of the assessed funds based on the number of Catholic students enrolled who meet the following criteria:

- Parents and child are registered in the parish;

- Child is baptized;

- Family participates in the life of the registered diocesan parish (e.g. attends Mass regularly)

- Family contributes regularly (i.e., monetarily or in time or in talent or any combination of the three) to the support of the registered diocesan parish.

It is the responsibility of each individual school office to determine qualified Catholic status. (Pastors and parishes no longer need to be involved in establishing qualified Catholic status.) Students new to a school need to be qualified. Once a student has been qualified for any school year, he/she can be considered qualified in subsequent school years. If for any reason circumstance have changed so a student no longer meets the criteria for a qualified Catholic, the student's status should be changed.

By September 30 of each year a list of all qualified Catholic students by grade and student name should be submitted to the Catholic Schools Office. If qualified Catholic enrollment changes after September, an updated list need not be submitted unless specifically requested by the Catholic Schools Office.