

Updated Emergency Fund Process

The Catholic Schools Foundation has made the following changes to its Emergency Fund process in response to the evolving COVID-19 situation:

- 3 additional Emergency Fund rounds
- Increased frequency of review (approximately every 3 weeks)

Emergency Fund Process

The Emergency Fund application is completed by a school on behalf of a family who is experiencing unforeseen circumstances which are causing a financial burden for the family. The CSF will not accept applications from the family or letters from the family included in an application. It is the responsibility of the school to advocate for the family and clearly state the family's need. The applications will be reviewed by a committee approximately every three weeks.

General Emergency Fund Criteria

- There is an immediate and urgent need.
- The request clearly illustrates how the situation will have a strong impact on the student and his/her family financially.
- The school currently assists the family through tuition aid and other efforts.
- The school has a concrete and detailed plan to support the family in the future.
- The student will likely withdraw if he/she does not receive additional aid.

COVID-19 Emergency Fund Criteria

- The family's financial situation was impacted significantly by the COVID-19 pandemic.
- The family incurred additional childcare or eldercare expenses because of the COVID-19 situation.
- The request clearly illustrates how the situation will have a strong impact on the student and his/her family financially.
- Eligible schools must have applied for or be in the process of applying for the Payroll Protect Plan.

Updated Timeline

- Round 5:
 - o April 7: Deadline: Round 5 for June 25th distribution
 - o April 22: Notification: Round 5 decisions for June 25th distribution
- Round 6:
 - o April 29: Deadline: Round 6 for June 25th distribution
 - o May 8: Notification: Round 6 decisions for June 25th distribution
- Round 7:
 - o May 15: Deadline: Round 7 for June 25th distribution
 - o May 29: Notification: Round 7 decisions for June 25th distribution
- Round 8
 - o June 5: Deadline for Round 8 for June 25th distribution
 - o June 17: Notification: Round 8 for June 25th distribution