



HSA Fundraising Policy

We work hard to continually improve and strengthen the high quality Catholic education and the family atmosphere that is found at DeSales. It is with this goal in mind that you are receiving this reminder -- tuition revenue simply does not cover the full cost of educating our students. In order to balance our school budget, the Home School Association sponsors several fundraisers each school year. The money raised is used to meet the HSA's annual \$40,000 commitment to the operating budget at DeSales. We also use the proceeds of these fundraisers to make improvements to our school building, to pay for school buses for field trips, Field Day at the end of the school year, school wide celebrations, and teacher gifts and appreciation events throughout the school year.

The HSA has always expected the financial participation of each DeSales family in our fundraising efforts, because of the benefits these fundraisers provide to *every* student. The participation of each family is essential to the success of our school. To encourage this participation, a fundraising policy has been approved by the DeSales Board of Trustees.

The HSA Fundraising policy is as follows: During the school year, each DeSales family will be required to support the HSA's fundraising efforts by doing a minimum of ONE of the following:

1. Sell or buy one \$100 Cash Raffle ticket in the Fall
2. Sell or buy \$100 worth of Auction raffle tickets in Jan - Feb (sold for \$1 each or in booklets of 11 tickets for \$10.00)
3. Sell or buy \$100 worth of Niagara Chocolate Easter Candy
4. Sell or buy any combination of Auction raffle tickets and Easter Candy totaling \$100 (Ex: \$40 worth of raffle tickets and \$60 in Easter candy sales)

Each family's progress towards their \$100 HSA fundraising commitment will be recorded. Any balance owed on this commitment as of April 10th, up to the total commitment of \$100, will then be added to your tuition invoice and is payable by the end of the school year.

IF YOU FEEL THAT THIS POLICY WILL CAUSE A FINANCIAL HARDSHIP FOR YOUR FAMILY THAT WOULD PREVENT YOU FROM MEETING THIS COMMITMENT, PLEASE CONTACT THE HOME SCHOOL ASSOCIATION VIA EMAIL AT HSA@DESALESCATHOLIC SCHOOL.ORG OR SEND IN A NOTE TO THE ATTENTION OF THE HOME SCHOOL ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT. YOU WILL BE CONTACTED TO ARRANGE FOR A COMMITMENT OF VOLUNTEER HOURS TOWARDS H.S.A. SPONSORED PROJECTS IN THE UPCOMING SCHOOL YEAR.

IN ORDER TO AVOID BEING BILLED FOR ANY OR ALL OF THE \$100 HSA FUNDRAISING COMMITMENT, YOU MUST CONTACT THE H.S.A. PRESIDENT AT THE START OF EACH NEW SCHOOL YEAR.