



## *St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran School*

*Education for the Heart, Mind and Soul*

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### **WHERE DOES THIS MONEY GO?**

The money you pay for your child to attend St. Paul's will go to many different areas within the school. About one quarter of it goes to the books which form the curriculum at St. Paul's one another quarter allows us to provide a resource teacher who makes it possible for math to be taught in smaller groups throughout the day and provides remedial help for our students. The other half is divided up into various other necessities such as technology, testing and synodical subscriptions and the various paper products that we consume every year.

### **ISN'T SOMETHING MISSING?**

Actually, **a large portion of what it costs to run our school is missing!** Perhaps you noticed that our homeroom teachers are not in the equation above (salaries, health insurance, etc.), neither are the costs of running the facility (utilities, maintenance, etc.). That's because those items are currently paid in full through the offerings you and the rest of our congregation bring to the Lord. That's why our member amount is lower than the nonmember costs. However, even non members are really only asked to pay around 1/3 of the total cost of education. **You are already supporting the school as is everyone else in our congregation with regular offerings.** Yes, our regular offerings are a massive part of keeping our school operating at its current level!

### **SO, WHAT IS THE BIG PICTURE?**

It is currently (2017-2018) estimated to cost around \$4000 per student to keep the doors open here at St. Paul's. That might sound high. But on average, North Fond du Lac's Public School System spends around \$11,500 per student, hovering around the state average for Wisconsin. The WELS average is around \$5000. God has certainly blessed us here allowing us to offer such a high quality education for a fraction of what others spend. That's due in large part to the time and talents of our congregation. If we crunch the numbers that means general fees roughly 12% of the total cost of operations here and **the church covered the remaining 88% of operational costs.** What an amazing blessing the Lord has showered down upon our church and school through the stewardship of His people. **May the Lord continue to bless our efforts in the years to come.**

### **SOME SYNODICAL NUMBERS TO CONSIDER?**

Synod Ave. Member Tuition = \$1772.00

Synod Ave. Non-member Tuition = \$3286.00

Current Member Tuition at SPLS = \$490.00

Current Non-member Tuition at SPLS = \$1300.00