



Guidelines for the 2024-2025 Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati Athletic Scholarship

The Saint Gertrude Athletic Boosters Association is pleased to announce this year's tuition award scholarship opportunities in the amount of \$1500 each. Scholarships will be awarded to one male and one female athlete who has participated in any St. Gertrude sport during their tenure AND will be attending a Catholic high school in the fall of this school year. The scholarship will pay the award directly to HS tuition on the student's behalf. For the most part, the competition is based upon an essay relating to the student's experience as a St. Gertrude Bulldog. To be clear, the student applicant's athletic abilities, sports performance, and/or competitive results are NOT a factor in this process and will NOT be evaluated, rated, or taken into account in any way.

To compete for the Frassati Scholarship, there are three criteria requirements that MUST be satisfied:

- 1) Your family MUST be St. Gertrude parishioners and the 8th grade student MUST be actively enrolled in St. Gertrude School, St. Gertrude CCD, or home school, and MUST be in good academic and disciplinary standing. MUST be attending a Catholic HS in the fall of the upcoming school year, as the tuition awards will not be assigned a cash or other equivalent
- 2) You MUST write and submit an essay which answers the following topic question:

"What is the most significant virtue that I have learned during my experiences as an athlete in St. Gertrude sports, and why?"

***** The essay must total 500 words or less and must be typewritten in plain font on standard white paper *****

- Specifically AVOID identifying yourself in your essay. Anonymity is important...see below

3) You MUST submit the REQUIRED two forms below:

- a) **The 'Letter of Recommendation' form** completed by an adult in a leadership position. Preferably, this should be a St. Gertrude Bulldogs coach. If an alternate is necessary, or possibly preferred, you may substitute a teacher, board member, clergy member, etc., but please be prepared to explain the relationship if requested by a reviewer
- b) **The 'Questionnaire' form**, completed with concise, honest answers on the printed form

***** These forms are available for download at anytime on the www.teamsideline.com/sites/stgertrude website under the heading "Documents" *****

Submission instructions: Assemble your essay and two forms and **SUBMIT TO MR. DUMMERMUTH DURING THE SUBMISSION WINDOW beginning Monday, April 28th to the absolute deadline of Wednesday, April 30th by 4:00pm.** You may hand-off your application packet with or without an envelope. The entry will be assigned to a new, anonymous, and numbered envelope upon submission and will remain anonymous until the two finalists are determined. Be sure that your name is recorded on the key by the person who receives your application - this is the only link to your scholarship attempt until evaluation is completed.

Again, it is **VERY IMPORTANT TO AVOID IDENTIFYING YOURSELF IN THE ESSAY.** The essays will be evaluated by a blind panel comprised of a minimum of two uninvolved board members and the Boosters Spiritual Liason. In the event of a tie or indecision, competent submissions will be judged by the pastor and/or principal until a clear finalist is determined. For questions or other concerns, parents may contact Mr. Gruber directly at rgruber5@gmail.com or at (513) 256-2566. The male and female finalists will be announced at the 8th Grade Awards Ceremony in mid-May before graduation. **Best of luck, and as always...GO BULLDOGS!**