



“Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it.”
Proverbs 22:6



GIVING BACK

Not long ago, I asked my parents—both public high school graduates—why they were so committed to sending my four siblings and I to Christian schools for our K-12 educations. While I didn’t know the details of their finances, I knew it wasn’t because there was money to spare.

In response, my dad quoted 3 John: “There is no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth.”

Throughout my career, I’ve asked that same question of countless parents and supporters of South Christian: **“Why are you so committed to Christian education?”** Many share formative experiences from their own schooling. Others, like my dad, point to Scripture. Still others express a simple conviction: “I knew I only had one shot at getting this right, and I wanted to do everything I could.”

Now, as a tuition-paying parent myself, I’ve asked my parents a different question: “How did you afford this?” On the single income of a pastor’s salary, my parents sent five children to a combined 65 years of Christian education. While they can tell stories of God’s provision, I know there was another key answer—tuition assistance.

Today, it costs over \$13,500 to educate one student for one year at South Christian High School. Because of our endowment and other generous support, tuition this year is \$10,485. Many families make financial sacrifices because they believe it is worth the cost, and yet, that sacrifice is often still not enough. It is only through the generosity of others that their children can attend South Christian.

It is my commitment that every family who desires a faithful, Christian education on the south side of Grand Rapids has the opportunity to be part of our community. I know tuition can be a significant barrier, even for families willing to sacrifice deeply for their children.

That’s why I am asking you to prayerfully consider a gift to South Christian’s Tuition Assistance Fund.

These funds directly support qualifying families who share a deep commitment to Christian education and understand the lasting impact it has on their children and on God’s kingdom.

Will you join me in supporting these families and helping provide a South Christian High School education?

- Aaron Meckes, Head of School

Name: _____

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Tuition Assistance: \$ _____

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We are very grateful for the generous SCHS community. Please consider how you can assist families when making a commitment to Tuition Assistance.

For more information, contact Lindsay Sinnema, Advancement Director at lsinnema@schs.org.

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