

How Can I Participate?

Contact schools, teachers, and parishioners with school-aged children to ask what they need. The following projects are popular ways to provide support:

- Create a youth library for the parish featuring saints, authors and stories most relevant to your community
- Organize a school supply drive for students or teachers
- Run a fundraiser to support tuition for students
- Participate in programs offered by schools, such as mentorship and tutoring
- Conduct landscaping and maintenance projects for the school



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What is the Bright Futures Program?

The Bright Futures program invites councils and their parishes to support the students and schools in their communities. Too often, significant barriers to educational success negatively impact our youth. Councils can help by providing funding and resources to those most in need. Popular ways to provide support include school supply drives, fundraisers, school beautification projects, and participation in volunteer programs offered by the school. Catholic schools are in particular need of council support.

Suggested Fundraising Dates

Organize fundraising and collection drives before the start of the school year. Other popular dates to organize events include:

- Catholic Schools Week (Last week of January)
- Back to School Week
- Black Friday/Boxing Day
- 3 King's Day (Epiphany, Jan. 6)



Scholarship Opportunities

The Knights of Columbus offers scholarships for undergraduate, graduate and seminary education. Scan the QR code or visit kofc.org/scholarships to learn more.



Organizing Supply Drives

Teachers and students often face a shortage of school supplies and are sometimes forced to purchase their own items. Councils can contact their local Catholic schools and homeschool groups to understand their students' needs and together develop a list of items for a supply drive.

Examples of items to donate include:

Elementary School

- Markers, crayons, colored pencils
- Construction and loose-leaf paper
- Scissors
- Tissues
- Wipes
- Hand sanitizer

Middle School & High School

- Calculators
- Laptop
- Printer paper
- Notebooks
- Backpacks
- 3-ring binders

