## Paw Paw Seventh-Day Adventist Church (PPAC) Adventist Education Assistance Policy

**Purpose:** One of the COR values of our church is LEARN. As a church family, we value the education process and want to watch our members grow in the understanding of God and how He created this world. We also believe that Seventh-day Adventist Christian education is one of the better ways to help prepare our youth to be good citizens in both this world and the world to come. Because of this, we strongly support our local Adventist schools and want to provide all our families with an opportunity to choose the ministry they offer to our students.

**Policy:** Our support for Adventist education has been formalized into a policy that provides substantial tuition assistance for eligible students attending an accredited Seventh-day Adventist school within the State of Michigan, so long as funds are available.

<u>Students in Grades 1-8:</u> The church will provide 90% of the weighted average tuition (excluding registration fees, books, etc.) of our local Adventist elementary schools (including Kalamazoo Junior Academy, Gobles Junior Academy, Ruth Murdoch, and Berrien Springs Village), or 90% of the actual out-of-pocket tuition expense, whichever is less.

<u>Students in Grades 9-12:</u> The church will provide \$2,000 per student, per academic year, for tuition (excluding registration fees, books, etc.).

Systematic payments will be made directly to the school by the church treasurer. Assistance is not guaranteed, and may cease (by vote of the church board) if/when: the student or parent/legal guardian no longer meets eligibility requirements; or the student's enrollment is terminated for any reason.

**Eligibility/Criteria:** Our education assistance program is open to those who meet certain established criteria:

- 1) the student, and/or his/her parent/legal guardian, has been an official member of the PPAC for at least one calendar year (as of the start of the school year);
- 2) the student, and/or his/her parent/legal guardian, regularly attend Sabbath school, worship services, and other PPAC functions; and
- 3) the student, and/or his/her parent/legal guardian, actively participate in the ministries of the church family and support our PPAC community.



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