



Heathwood Hall Episcopal School Tuition Assistance Program

Since its founding in 1951, Heathwood Hall Episcopal School's mission has been centered on a commitment to building a school community enriched with students from a variety of economic, cultural, and ethnic backgrounds. Our tuition assistance program supports our mission and is nondiscriminatory in practice.

Heathwood Hall has a well-established tuition assistance program that is applied in accordance with the principles and best practices of the National Association of Independent schools (NAIS) and the School's core values. The School seeks to provide tuition assistance to those families with a demonstrated financial need as determined by NAIS's School and Student Services (SSS). While the analysis provided by SSS offers important guidelines for student assistance, rulings on final awards ultimately rest with the School's Tuition Assistance Committee.

Heathwood Hall's tuition assistance program supports students in kindergarten through grade twelve.

The School will hold all information concerning tuition assistance in strict confidence. The School is opposed to any practice that publicly identifies recipients of assistance or distinguishes them from others. Only those persons directly involved in the tuition assistance decision making process or in its administration have access to this information.

Tuition Assistance Process

The process for applying for tuition assistance is simple and straight forward.

Admission Applicants and Current Heathwood Families:

1. Starting on October 1, 2022, go to sssandtadysfa.force.com and click "I'm a family applicant."
2. If you are a returning family with an existing account, enter your login and password from the previous year in the green box. If you have forgotten your login information, click "forgot your password." If you are a new family, click on the option to "Create an Account" in the teal box. You'll be asked to enter your name and email address and to select a password. **Heathwood Hall's school code is 3793.**
3. Download the PFS Online Workbook and refer to on-screen help for guidance along the way. You can log out of the PFS Online at any time -- then return later to complete your PFS.
4. **Please upload your most recent tax returns to the SSS application portal.** You will be prompted to do so after submitting the Parent's Financial Statement. Your application cannot be processed until your tax returns have been submitted.

For questions any questions, please call 1-800-344-8328 (Mon - Fri: 9am - 8pm EST. Sat: 9am - 4pm EST).

Returning families should complete all steps above by January 6, 2023. After that date, we cannot guarantee available tuition assistance funds. New families may submit forms at any time after October 1, 2022.

Frequently Asked Questions

What is tuition assistance? Heathwood Hall offers tuition assistance in the form of a tuition grant. The award is applied toward the tuition for the upcoming school year and does not need to be repaid.

Will I qualify for tuition assistance? Any family may apply for tuition assistance. Ability to pay is determined by a number of factors including Annual Gross Income, assets, debts, and expenses among other things.

Does financial assistance cover other school expenses? Financial assistance is applied to tuition only, however, for those families receiving over fifty percent tuition assistance, the Committee reserves the right to waive the technology fee, offer reduced rates in our after school care, and award assistance towards the lunch fee.

What is the policy regarding separated, divorced, or never-married parents? Heathwood Hall considers the income and assets of any adult who plays a significant role in a student's life. All adults (mothers, fathers, step-parents, etc.) are required to submit all forms to SSS.

If one parent does not work, is he or she required to complete the PFS? Heathwood Hall does expect that any parent or guardian who is able to work, does work in order to be granted Tuition Assistance. Individual circumstances, such as disabilities, temporary unemployment, or other extenuating circumstances will be evaluated on a case by case basis. Please contact the Director of Admission and Financial Aid (Jessie Garlinghouse, jgarlinghouse@heathwood.org) with any further questions.

When will I be notified of my award?

The Tuition Assistance Committee will begin making awards in November and awards will be communicated to families at the time of enrollment or re-enrollment.

Do I have to reapply every year? Yes. Because a family's financial circumstances can change from year to year, the committee requires all current tuition assistance recipients to reapply each year. If a family's circumstances do not change significantly they can expect their contribution to remain about the same from year to year.

Will my application for financial assistance affect my child's chances for admission? No. Students are admitted based on individual merit, not the ability to pay.

When are applications for tuition assistance due? For returning families, applications and all documents are due on January 2, 2023. For new families, we will continue making tuition assistance awards as long as our budget allows. We encourage you to start the process as soon as you begin the admission process.

Who are the members of the Tuition Assistance Committee? The Director of Admission and Financial Aid, the Assistant Head of School Advancement and Enrollment, and the Chief Financial Officer are members of the Tuition Assistance Committee.

For additional questions, please contact:

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