

## FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE Q & A

- 1) Q: As a prospective family at The Christ School, when should I apply for financial assistance?
  A: You should apply for financial assistance after you accept an offer of enrollment. We require families to submit their child's enrollment application, for the child to be assessed and the family to accept an offer of enrollment before submitting a financial assistance application.
- 2) Q: Where do I access the application?A: The Grant & Aid application is accessed via your FACTS account, under the Financial tab. See the Financial Links list in upper right corner. Click the link Apply for Grant & Aid.
- 3) **Q:** As a returning family, what is the deadline to submit a financial assistance request? **A:** We ask that all requests from existing TCS families be received before January 31.
- 4) Q: If I am divorced, is my former spouse required to complete an application?A: If your former spouse has custody and/or is involved in any aspect of your child's life then yes, we need their financial information to consider an award.
- 5) Q: What tax documents do I need?
  - **A:** You will need all the prior year's W2s and the latest completed tax returns. If you do not have the prior year's return complete, submit the previous year's return.
- 6) Q: Do I send my tax return information to TCS?A: No, all tax documents must be uploaded to FACTS Grant & Aid.
- 7) **Q:** When will we know the award amount?
  - **A:** The Financial Assistance Committee strives to complete the evaluations of all applications by the end of March and award offers are made by that time. All applicants receive a response

regardless of whether or not an award is granted. Upon notification of an award amount, families must respond with an acceptance or refusal by the deadline stated in the offer letter.

- 8) Q: Does the school offer financial assistance based on income & household size?
  A: The FACTS Grant & Aid process evaluates all aspects of a family's finances and lifestyle. This includes expenses, income, business owned investments, assets and liabilities.
- 9) **Q**: What is the criteria to qualify for financial assistance?

**A:** FACTS will provide a recommended award amount based on their formulaic process. The Christ School Financial Assistance Committee will review this information and make an offer based on our total budget allocation for financial assistance.

10) **Q**: Is financial assistance ever offered for 100% of tuition?

**A:** No. TCS policy requires that each family have some level of tuition responsibility.

For additional assistance, please contact Adriana Bentz, Director of Business Operations.