



# Determining Eligibility for Financial Aid

The Learning Academy of Teton Valley maintains a small financial aid pool for families who are in need of tuition assistance. This funding is raised mainly through the Tin Cup Challenge, though other fundraising events also contribute. Due to COVID-19, this year's aid offerings are increasingly limited as a result of our inability to fundraise as in a typical year.

Students in preschool and transitional kindergarten are not eligible for financial aid for tuition, however they may apply for aid for aftercare. Students in K-8 are eligible for aid for tuition assistance. This aid may not be combined with multi-child discounts, grandfathered tuition rates or any other deductions. Aid is based on current, full tuition rates for the upcoming school year.

There is no income limit that makes your family ineligible for aid. However we do request that you not apply for financial aid if you are fully able to pay for your child(ren)'s tuition as this can take funding away from those who are truly in need.

The first step in applying for aid is to fill out the Initial Request for Financial Aid Form which is returned directly to us. This form informs us of what you are willing/able to contribute to your child's monthly tuition, whether you have family who is willing to assist in tuition payments, and also what you can offer to the school in terms of volunteer hours or services.

This year we have opted against using SSS by NAIS as our third party in an effort to use the entirety of our funding toward tuition assistance. This will also save you from paying a fee toward applying.

If it is determined that you are eligible you may be asked to submit financial documents and/or a more thorough form inquiring about income and assets and your other expenses and financial obligations. These documents will be reviewed anonymously by our board of directors.

*Please note that if you apply for and receive financial aid and withdrawal your student before the completion of the school year, there is a penalty. You will be required to repay the difference between the actual tuition and the assisted amount for the entirety of your child's tenure so that the granted amount may be offered to a family who will use the aid in sum.*

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