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2018-2019 FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION

Fort Lauderdale Prep School (FLPS) recognizes the unique financial circumstances of each family. Depending on the amount of monies available in the Financial Aid annual budget, we offer awards for students on a limited basis. These awards are offered after a careful evaluation of individual family finances.

Within the limits of available funds, FLPS seeks to provide tuition assistance to qualified students. The schools policy for determining financial need is based on the principle that both parents are responsible for the support and educational expenses of their children. We consider the assets of both parents, if living, before making the award. Both parents are assumed to be employed. If only one parent is employed and there are no children under the age of four years living at home, the committee will add in a reasonable expectation of salary for that parent. If the custodial parent has remarried, we will consider the assets of the step-parent, taking into consideration the obligations to his or her natural children.

Returning students are given preference, providing they meet all deadlines. **Financial Aid must be applied for each year and applicants must meet all guidelines set forth by the Financial Aid committee.**

PLEASE NOTE: ONCE AN AWARD IS OFFERED BY THE COMMITTEE, THEY CONTINUE TO REVIEW THAT STUDENT'S GRADES, OVERALL CITIZENSHIP, PARTICIPATION IN THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY, AS WELL AS DISCIPLINARY AND ATTENDANCE COMPLIANCE ON A QUARTERLY BASIS. IN ORDER TO CONTINUE TO RECEIVE FINANCIAL AWARDS, STUDENTS MUST MAINTAIN A MINIMUM OF A 'C+' (2.5) AVERAGE AND ADHERE TO THE HIGHEST STANDARD OF DISCIPLINE AND DECORUM AND ALL TUITION PAYMENTS THAT ARE THE OBLIGATION OF THE PARENT MUST BE CURRENT. LAPSES IN ANY OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED CATEGORIES MAY RESULT IN THE DISCONTINUATION OF THE AWARD. AWARDS ARE OFFERED ON AN ANNUAL BASIS BUT REVIEWED AND DISTRIBUTED EACH MARKING PERIOD.

In order to receive a FLPS scholarship award, applicants must submit applications, meeting all deadlines pertaining to any and all other applicable scholarships available, i.e.; Step Up for Students, McKay, VPK and the Early Learning Coalition. Failure to do so will result in ineligibility for an FLPS award. Proof of application to said scholarship programs must accompany the FLPS Financial Aid application.



Financial Aid awards are primarily based on the financial needs of the family, per the information provided. The entire process is confidential. Each family must expect to contribute something towards their child's education.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

I am not sure if our family will qualify for Financial Assistance. Is it worth applying?

If you are unsure whether or not you will qualify, contact the Director of Admissions for advice. Since many financial factors enter in to the determination of Financial Aid, it is usually best to apply.

I received an award last year. Do I need to apply again?

Yes. All students must apply for Aid each year. Awards are granted on a first come, first served basis. There is a finite amount available for awards each year.

Will my Child's Financial Aid award change from year to year?

Financial Aid is recalculated each year using current financial information. Other factors affecting yearly awards are the amount of funds available for disbursement and the number of requests. It is recommended to apply early for Financial Aid.

When will we be notified if we are to receive an award?

The earliest decisions regarding financial awards are towards the end of May. Returning students should re-enroll and submit their completed Financial Aid application at the earliest date possible. New students will be notified of their awards as they are reviewed.

Will applying for Financial Assistance affect my child's chances for admission?

No. Students are admitted for FLPS based upon their academic ability and willingness to learn, not their financial status. Admission decisions are made separate from Financial Aid decisions.

What if I have more than one child in the school?

Award of Scholarships for families are looked at as a total package. Multiple scholarships can be awarded to families. FLPS offers a family discount program that will be included in the total package.

What if I receive McKay, VPK, Step Up for Students or Early Learning Coalition money from the State?

All state funds are considered as a direct payment from you as they are received. Those funds will be counted toward your tuition and will not influence whether or not you will receive a FLPS Scholarship award.

PLEASE ALSO INQUIRE ABOUT:

Discounts for Federal, State, County & City employees
New Student referral discounts



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Fort Lauderdale Prep School Financial Aid Application 2018-2019
PLEASE COMPLETE ALL PARTS OF THIS APPLICATION



Date _____

Student's Name _____ Age _____

Grade _____

Parent's/Guardian's Name(s) _____ Email _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Address _____ City, State & Zip _____

How long _____ Rent _____ Own _____

If less than 3 years prior address needed

Prior Address _____ City, State & Zip _____

How long _____ Rent _____ Own _____

Father's/Guardian's Occupation _____ Employer _____

Years on job _____ Salary _____ Bonus/Other _____

Previous Occupation (If less than 3 years) _____ Employer _____

Years on job _____ Salary _____ Bonus/Other _____

Mother's/Guardian's Occupation _____ Employer _____

Years on job _____ Salary _____ Bonus/Other _____

Previous Occupation (If less than 3 years) _____ Employer _____

Years on job _____ Salary _____ Bonus/Other _____

Other Income/Source(s) _____

Number of children claimed as dependents _____

List all financial obligations (name & monthly amount). *Attach additional sheet if necessary*

List any extenuating circumstances that should be considered. *Attach additional sheet if necessary*



CERTIFICATION & ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

1. I have read and understand all the conditions governing the distribution of FLPS scholarship awards.
2. All the information on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.
3. All tuition obligations must be current or scholarship may be revoked.
4. I will be responsible for the full year's tuition and fees as stated in the enrollment and re-enrollment contract(s).

Printed Name _____ Signature _____ Date _____

STUDENT ESSAY (Required for students in Grades 5-12)

The Student essay must be submitted on separate paper and accompany this application.
(Minimum essay length: 150 words) *Student's name must appear on each page of the essay.*

Yes, spelling and grammar DO count!

Essay Topics: (Choose one)

Why is it important to demonstrate respect for other people?

Do memories help or hinder people in their efforts to learn from the past?

How are individual rights and responsibilities tied together?

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

1. Fully completed and signed Financial Aid packet
 - a. Application
 - b. Request for Verification of Employment
 - c. 4506 Form
 - d. Certification & Authorization Form
2. Copy of valid Driver's License
3. Copy of Social Security Card
4. New Students: Current Report Card, Unofficial Transcript, FCAT results and Standardized test scores.
For ESE students: IEP & Educational Psychological Evaluation.
5. COMPLETE copies of the last 2 years 1040 (filed TAX FORMS) including all schedules
6. 2 years worth of any/all W-2's or 1099 forms
7. 1 month's pay stubs are REQUIRED
8. Proof of application to other Florida based scholarships (Step Up for Students, McKay, VPK and Early Learning Coalition)
9. Student Essay (Grades 5-12 only)

**NO FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION WILL BE CONSIDERED
UNTIL ALL DOCUMENTATION IS RECEIVED.**

Fort Lauderdale Preparatory School practices a policy of non-discrimination in the administration of its education, employment, admissions, and other programs. Fort Lauderdale Preparatory School does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, age, sex, religion or creed, national or ethnic origin, or non-disqualifying handicap.



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Borrower's Certification & Authorization to Release Information

Borrower's Certification

The undersigned certify the following:

1. I/We have applied for financial aid and or/ scholarship aid from Fort Lauderdale Prep School. In applying for this financial assistance, I/We completed an application containing various information concerning income information and liabilities. I/We certify that all of the information is true and complete. I/We made no misrepresentation in the application or other documents, nor did I/We omit any pertinent information.
2. I/We understand that Fort Lauderdale Prep School reserves the right to verify all information provided to them. This may include verifying the information provided on the application with the employer and/or the financial institution.

Authorization to Release Information

To whom it may concern:

I/We have applied for financial aid from Fort Lauderdale Prep School as part of the application process, Fort Lauderdale Prep School may verify information contained in my/our application and in any other documents required in connection with this application, either before the aid is granted or after as part of its quality control program.

I/We authorize you to provide Fort Lauderdale Prep School with any and all information and documentation that they request. Such information includes, but is not limited to, employment history and income, bank, money market and similar account balances, credit history and copies of income tax returns.

A copy of this authorization may be accepted as an original.

Your prompt reply to Fort Lauderdale Prep School is appreciated.

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