

Philosophy

Kimberton Waldorf School values a student body that reflects the ethnic, racial, cultural, and socioeconomic diversity of our area. We offer aid to support this diversity to the extent we can while remaining sustainable. Tuition assistance is granted on the basis of need, determined by comparing the income and resources of applicants against their assets and liabilities.

Tuition

Tuition fees at Kimberton Waldorf School are support for the functions and operations that support the mission of the school. Student Enrollment Agreements are sent out in March and are due back within 30 days with a non—refundable tuition deposit.

Tuition Payment Plans

Payment plans are arranged in a one-pay, two-pay or ten-pay agreements. Tuition insurance is required of all families, though one-pay families may opt out after payment is received. One-pay payments must be paid by July 1. Two-pay payments are due July 1 and January 1. Ten-pay payments are due the 1st of each month from July through April.

Tuition Assistance

Tuition assistance at Kimberton Waldorf School is need-based; amounts awarded are based solely on demonstrated financial need. Tuition assistance is available for students in full day kindergarten through grade twelve. In determining awards, the Committee relies upon the expected family contribution as calculated by the School and Student Service for Financial Aid (SSS), the family's submitted tax returns, and any special financial considerations communicated by the family. There is always a greater demand for assistance than there are resources. Because the demand for assistance is high, families are advised that they may need to seek additional resources to supplement the grants they receive from the School's tuition assistance program. Generally, the school can meet only a portion of a family's need as calculated by SSS.

Tuition assistance must be applied for annually. Information related to tuition assistance is kept in strict confidence and students receiving assistance are not held to different academic or behavioral standards. The school allocates tuition assistance systematically, with priority given first to returning students, followed by new students. In order to be considered for tuition assistance, the payment of open tuition balances must

be current. Families requesting support are not required to sign their contract for the year until a decision has been reached regarding their tuition assistance application. If the amount of support awarded is not sufficient to allow attendance, an appeal may be filed. Details of the appeal process will be in the letter of award.

Guidelines

- New families are eligible to apply for tuition assistance upon acceptance to the school.
- Mid-year acceptances are encouraged to apply and will be considered if funds remain.
- Applications from current families must be received by the February 5th deadline. Late applications will be reviewed when the process for timely application has been completed. Awards will be determined by available funds.
- It is not possible for the Tuition Assistance Committee to become involved in any financial arrangements between parents. Both Custodial and Non-custodial parents are expected to contribute financial documentation to the Tuition Assistance Committee.

Procedure

- Complete the online Parent Financial Statement (PFS) appropriate for your family's circumstances. Self-employed individuals are required to complete the Family Farm & Business Form, which is also available online at <https://www.solutionsbysss.com/parents>
- Upload all required documentation including necessary tax return via the online application website. For self-employed individuals, copies of both business and personal tax returns are required.
- A written explanation of any special circumstances of which the Tuition Assistance Committee needs to be aware should be emailed to kkerstetter@kimberton.org.

Please note that incomplete or delayed information regarding any of the above items may result in a reduction in the amount of tuition assistance offered.

If you have any questions or need assistance, please feel free to call the Business Office at 610.933.3635 ext. 128.