



TUITION ASSISTANCE INFORMATION SHEET (Updated 1/24/24)

Each year, Linden Grove School strives to assist families who struggle with the financial burden of tuition costs. Linden Grove School utilizes FACTS to determine financial need. Families applying for tuition assistance submit their applications directly to FACTS.

SHOULD I APPLY FOR TUITION ASSISTANCE?

Before applying for tuition assistance, you should determine your annual out of pocket tuition cost to Linden Grove School. To calculate that amount, simply take the total LGS tuition and subtract the amount of your child's scholarship (Autism, Jon Peterson, or other). The remaining amount becomes your annual out-of-pocket tuition cost.

For the 2024-25 school year, total LGS tuition is \$36,750 for all K-8 students.

Autism Scholarship students receiving a full-year scholarship will receive \$32,445 to help offset these costs. There is a possibility that the scholarship will increase, but at this time, we do not know the amount of the potential increase. Therefore, you should calculate your out-of-pocket cost utilizing the current scholarship amount of \$32,445. For Jon Peterson recipients, scholarship amounts vary and, at this time, do not exceed \$30,000. There is a possibility that the Peterson scholarship amounts will increase, but again, we do not have that information. Therefore, out-of-pocket costs for full-year Autism Scholarship students are currently \$4,305 (\$36,750 minus \$32,445). Out-of-pocket costs for Jon Peterson students will range from \$6,750.00 or greater (\$36,750 minus \$30,000 or less, depending on the scholarship category). In any circumstance, the yearly maximum award for LGS tuition assistance is \$5000.

I DETERMINED MY ANNUAL OUT OF POCKET TUITION COST. WHAT IS MY NEXT STEP?

For Autism Scholarship students, simply divide your total out-of-pocket cost by 12 monthly payments (\$4,305/12=358.75 per month)

\$358.75 is payable over 12 months, August 2024 through July 2025. Payments can be made on either the 5th or the 20th of each month. If this amount is a financial burden, then you SHOULD apply for tuition assistance.

For Jon Peterson students, you would divide \$6750 (or greater depending on scholarship category) by 12 monthly payments. If this amount is a financial burden, then you SHOULD apply for tuition assistance.

HOW TO APPLY FOR TUITION ASSISTANCE THROUGH FACTS:

Returning students will receive a registration letter in February that will contain a link to apply for tuition assistance through FACTS. (1st year students and mid-year enrollments will receive an Acceptance letter that will contain the same link. Simply use that link to apply for Tuition Assistance. When completing your FACTS application, you will need to provide financial information such as tax returns, W-2, etc. There is also an application fee. Typically, the FACTS application fee is \$40, and you pay this directly to FACTS upon submitting your application.

On the FACTS application, you should state the portion of **annual** out of pocket tuition that you feel you can afford. The remaining amount becomes your total tuition assistance request.

Example: THIS EXAMPLE OUTLINES A STUDENT RECEIVING A FULL YEAR AUTISM SCHOLARSHIP: Total LGS tuition is \$36,750. The Autism Scholarship is \$32,445. Therefore, your total out of pocket tuition cost for the year is \$4,305 (Payable in 12 installments of \$358.75 per month). You determine that \$358.75 per month is simply too much, but that you CAN afford \$100 per month (\$1200 annually). In this case, you should state on your FACTS application that the annual amount you CAN afford is \$1200. Your tuition assistance request then becomes \$3,105 (\$4,305 minus \$1200). If FACTS determines that \$100 per month is the maximum that you can comfortably afford, your tuition assistance award then becomes \$3,105, providing LGS has the available funds. Tuition assistance requests will be considered on a first-come, first-served basis.

If awarded, tuition assistance dollars can only be used to pay regular school year tuition, and may not be used for before/after care, afterschool activities, etc.

If you have any questions or need further information to make an informed decision on whether or not to apply, please contact Shawn Scott, Finance Coordinator at sscott@lindengroveschool.org