

TUITION ASSISTANCE

Each year, Linden Grove School strives to assist families who struggle with the financial burden of tuition costs. Linden Grove School utilizes a company called 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 2022-23 school year, total LGS tuition is:

\$33,430 for K-4/Applied Skills Students
\$33,230 for students in grades 4-8/non-applied skills.

Autism Scholarship students receiving a full year scholarship will receive \$32,455 to help offset these costs. For Jon Peterson recipients, scholarship amounts vary, and at this time do not exceed \$27,000. 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?

Your LGS enrollment contract offers two plans to pay out of pocket tuition- (Either 1 payment due August 1st or 4 installments due Aug 1/Sept 1/Oct 1/Nov 1). If the 4-payment installment amount is a financial burden, (you should **FIRST** request an alternative payment plan to spread the payments out over a **LONGER PERIOD**, up to 12 months). If you are able to pay the amount over a 12-month period, you should request an alternative payment plan by emailing the Finance Coordinator at sscott@lindengroveschool.org. *Alternative payment plans are not requests for tuition assistance through FACTS.* If approved for an alternative payment plan, you simply make monthly payments on the 1st of each month up to 12 months, August-July. (Requests for alternative payment plans are processed in the order received, and responses typically take up to 10 business days).

HOWEVER, if a 12-month payment amount is still a financial burden, **YOU SHOULD REQUEST TUITION ASSISTANCE THROUGH FACTS.**

HOW TO APPLY FOR TUITION ASSISTANCE THROUGH FACTS:

Upon acceptance of your child to Linden Grove School, you will receive an acceptance letter from LGS. (Returning students will receive a registration letter in February). That letter will contain a link to apply for tuition assistance through FACTS. 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 OUTLINING A 1ST GRADE STUDENT RECEIVING A FULL YEAR AUTISM SCHOLARSHIP: Total LGS tuition is \$33,430. The Autism Scholarship is \$32,455. Therefore, your total out of pocket tuition cost for the year is \$975 (Payable in 12 installments of \$81.25 per month). You determine that \$81.25 per month is simply too much, but that you CAN afford \$40 per month (\$480 annually). In this case, you should state on your FACTS application that the annual amount you CAN afford is \$480. Your tuition assistance request then becomes \$495.00 (\$975 minus \$480). If FACTS determines that \$40 per month is the maximum that you can comfortably afford, your tuition assistance award then becomes \$495.00, 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, registration fees 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