



OAK HILL ACADEMY
347 Middletown-Lincroft Road
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TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

POLICY

Oak Hill Academy has established a tuition assistance program to assist families of qualified children meet the cost of an OHA education. The school gives tuition assistance to help maintain a diverse socioeconomic and multicultural student population. It also serves to help prevent the loss of current students because of rising tuition and/or families' financial difficulties. Our goal is to enrich the learning and living environment for all our students. Every student and his/her family bring a special set of gifts to contribute to the mosaic of the school community.

PROGRAMS

Tuition assistance will be available to qualifying families, regardless of the number of children they have enrolled at OHA. Application is made through School & Student Services (SSS) by the National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS). Tuition assistance is limited and awards will be based on the total amount of tuition assistance available from OHA, as well as the number of qualified applicants. In the awarding process, some consideration will be given in filling openings that would otherwise remain vacant. Oak Hill Academy is not able to offer full tuition assistance to any student at this time.

PROCEDURE

Overview: Parents must fill out a Parents Financial Statement (PFS) either online or on paper, as well as submit certain income and tax information. This application asks several detailed questions about your family's income and expenses. Based on the financial information you provide in the PFS, SSS will provide schools with an estimated amount that your family can contribute to educational expenses. This helps schools make fair and objective tuition assistance decisions. 2019 W-2 forms and all other proofs of income, as well as your 2019 tax return must be submitted to SSS, as well as Oak Hill Academy. Parents are encouraged to follow deadline dates.

How to apply:

- You may complete the PFS online at <http://sssbynais.org>
The PFS online fee is \$48.
- Oak Hill Academy's subscriber code is: **905389**
- Submit the following forms:
 - 2018 1040 and W-2 to Oak Hill Academy
 - 2019 1040 and W-2 to SSS and Oak Hill Academy
 - Business/Farm Statement Form 4506-T (signed, but do not date)
- Mailing address for submitting the paper PFS and Submitting Required Documents is: SSS By NAIS
P.O. Box 449
Randolph, MA 02368

For overnight mail, use this address: SSS By NAIS
Application Processing Center
15 DAN Road, Suite 102
Canton, MA 02021

- For questions, call: Customer Service Center for Parents
800-344-8328 M-F 9am-8pm EST ; Sat 9am-4pm EST
e-mail: sss@nais.org

Submit required forms to Oak Hill Academy, attention: Tuition Assistance Committee

Deadline Dates:

- Parents must fill out the PFS by February 14, 2020.
- All 2019 tax information should be submitted by March 13, 2020. 2018 tax information should be submitted by the same date, or earlier.
- The Report of Family Contribution (RFC) will not be accurate unless all signed federal tax returns with all supporting schedules for 2018 and 2019 have been received.
- Parents are encouraged to follow deadline dates. Submission after March 13, 2020 may put a family in jeopardy of excluding themselves from aid for that year.

Report of Family Contribution/Notification:

- SSS will generate a report that will estimate the amount a family can contribute to the educational expenses for their child(ren).
- Oak Hill Academy will use the RFC as a guide in awarding tuition assistance. OHA will have to take into consideration the following factors:
Total amount of tuition assistance that we will be distributing
Number of qualified applicants
- Tuition Assistance awards are determined by a Tuition Assistance Committee of OHA administrators.
- Written notification of the tuition assistance decision will be sent by the Tuition Assistance Committee in a timely manner.

Additional Notes:

- Each parent/family/household, regardless of custodial arrangement, must fill out a complete tuition assistance application for each household.
- Parents must re-apply for tuition assistance every year, due to possible change in a family's financial circumstance and/or the amount of funds available from OHA.
- Tuition Assistance and Admissions are two separate processes. The tuition assistance decision is made after the student is accepted.
- If there are extenuating circumstances affecting your family's financial stability, parents are asked to document these factors and submit the documentation to OHA as part of your tuition assistance application.
- All conversations, financial records, correspondence, and tuition assistance information will be kept in the strictest confidence.

Questions? Contact: Patrice Murray, Director of Personnel/Administration
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