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Financial Assistance Overview 2017-2018

Mount Madonna School is committed to maintaining economic diversity within our community of families. We allocate financial grants from our Operating Budget, the Bernice Arnold Scholarship Endowment and special donations designated for Financial Assistance. Grants are based on each family's economic need, which is assessed independently through the School and Student Services (SSS) provided by the National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS). This online service provides impartial evaluation and is the most widely used service throughout the country. Our financial assistance committee is comprised of Jivanti Rutansky, Administrator and Board Member, Mary Supriya McDonald, Head of School, and Eric Forbes, Business Manager.

Financial Assistance applications should be filed at the same time that you apply for admission, although any approved grant will not be offered until the student has been admitted.

Financial Assistance Guidelines

1. Financial grants are need based and all students who receive grants must complete the SSS form online.
2. Allowances are made for families with more than one student in the school and who demonstrate need with the higher tuition burden.
3. Students must be admitted before a financial grant is determined.
4. Families have 10 business days to accept or reject the offer.
5. Families can appeal the financial assistance decision in writing by including additional information not seen on the SSS form.

Financial Assistance (FA) Grant Process

Families apply by filling out the NAIS School and Student Services (SSS) form online (www.sssbynais.org/parents). Remember to save your pin and password to update your application online.

Please follow the steps below to complete your FA application process.

1. When you complete your Mount Madonna School admissions application please check the box indicating that you will be applying for Financial Assistance.
2. File online at www.sssbynais.org/parents. Our school code is #1867. A \$48 fee is charged by SSS.
3. Upload tax return for calendar year 2015 and W-2 from 2016 at the time of submission. If you are unable to upload the documents, mail copies to NAIS School and Student Services by the Financial Assistance.

Mount Madonna School's open admission and financial assistance policies do not discriminate on the basis of race, gender, sexual preference, ethnic origin, disability, marital status, religion, creed or similar factors. This policy applies to all areas of student concerns: admissions, athletics, educational policies, financial assistance, and other school administered programs.