

MERIDIAN SCHOOL FINANCIAL AID POLICY

It is Meridian School's goal to provide financial assistance to those students seeking to improve their educational experience, but cannot otherwise afford this opportunity. Although we are not a lending institution, we do remain committed to reviewing and considering all requests for tuition assistance and helping those with genuine needs. All financial aid is managed and appropriated within the following guidelines:

- Financial aid will be available only to current full-time students at, or new students registering for full-time status at, Meridian School.
- The Financial Aid Fund will be administered by the Meridian School Board or an appointed Student Financial Aid Committee under its oversight.
- Financial aid will appear as a credit on the student's account and the enrollment contract, and therefore is not available to be refunded or used for any other purpose.
- The maximum financial aid award will be 50% of an individual students' tuition. The remaining tuition amount must be paid by the family or outside scholarship funding source, or a combination of family resources and outside funding.
- Regardless of the amount of financial aid provided, failure to meet the remaining financial obligations at Meridian School may result in a revocation of the financial aid, as determined by the Meridian School Board, as well as the inability to register for the following year or graduate from Meridian School.
- Monies donated to Meridian School for financial aid cannot be directed to any one particular student, or classification of student (e.g., academic scholar, athlete, etc.)
- Monies donated to Meridian School for financial aid cannot be used for any other purpose unless permission is granted in writing to the Meridian School Board by the donor.
- Students receiving financial aid must follow all standard admissions processes, and enter Meridian School on the same basis and in the same manner as all other students, and must adhere to all Meridian School policies while enrolled.
- Failure on the part of the student (or family) to adhere to Meridian School policies, or failure on the part of the student to maintain an overall Grade Point Average of 2.50 at Meridian School, may result in a revocation of the financial aid, as determined by the Meridian School Board of Trustees. Students who end a school year on academic probation will not be eligible for financial aid for the upcoming year.
- Existing Meridian School families requesting financial aid or having been granted such aid must be or must remain current on their student tuition accounts (i.e., have no outstanding balance from previous years).
- Financial aid cannot be granted to families who have not fully met financial obligations at any other school.
- Financial aid is only available as funds are available—qualifying for financial aid does not guarantee receipt of financial aid.
- If in the process of enrollment, a family applies and does not qualify for financial aid, or does not qualify for enough financial aid (resulting in the student not being able to enroll), a full refund of tuition and fees already paid toward the upcoming year will be provided.
- If in the process of enrollment, a family applies and qualifies for financial aid at Meridian School and funds are not available (resulting in the student not being able to enroll at the school), a full refund of tuition and fees already paid toward the upcoming year will be provided.
- If in the process of enrollment, a family applies and qualifies for financial aid at Meridian School, and funds are available yet the family decides not to enroll their student(s), a full refund of tuition already paid only is available.

Meridian School
Financial Aid Application
2010-2011 School Year

A. Family Information

1. Family Name and information

Surname	First Name	Telephone Number
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Home Address

2. Please list each child you wish to have considered for financial aid. {Please note that a GPA of at least 2.5 is required for middle and upper school students to qualify for financial assistance}

Name	Age	Grade	GPA (if applicable)
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B. Supplementary Family Information

1. Will you contribute toward the cost of other children's education in 2009-2010? Yes _____ No _____, If yes, please explain below.

2. Do you carry financial obligations from other private schools? Yes _____ No _____, If yes, please explain below.

C. Financial Information

1. Attach your most recent tax return.
2. Attach a letter explaining why you would like to be considered for financial aid.
3. Indicate the amount you feel you can afford to pay over a 12-month period. Please remember that the maximum awarded is 50%.

I certify that the above information is factually correct, complete, and honestly presented, and that I will notify Meridian School immediately upon changes to my financial resources.

Signature	Date
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