



Affording an *Agnes Irwin* Education

AT AGNES IRWIN, we are committed to being an inclusive, diverse, and equitable community, and we strive to make AIS available to bright, motivated girls regardless of a family's ability to pay. We understand that investing in your daughter's education is one of the most important decisions you will ever make and we are here to assist in that choice.

The tuition assistance consideration process is separate from the admission application process and applying for tuition assistance consideration has no impact on a girl's possible acceptance. This guide will help you manage the tuition assistance consideration process, outlining the required documentation and their corresponding due dates.

The **Agnes Irwin** School

Empowering Girls Since 1869



TUITION ASSISTANCE OVERVIEW

Tuition assistance is available for families who demonstrate need and complete the application for tuition assistance in a timely manner. There are no merit-based scholarships. The tuition assistance process is separate from the admission application process, and applying for tuition assistance will not affect a girl's chance for an offer of admission. More students who qualify for assistance may be accepted than we are able to fund; some accepted students will be put into the waiting pool for tuition assistance at the time of acceptance. If tuition assistance becomes available, the Office of Admission will notify families. Through the generosity of our donors, we awarded \$4.7 million in tuition assistance to 37% of our student body in 2020-2021.

Tuition assistance decisions are determined by the Tuition Assistance Committee on the basis of demonstrated need and availability of funds as articulated in each application. Completed tuition assistance applications for the 2021-2022 school year are due no later than December 11, 2020. By policy of the Board of Trustees, no more than 50 percent of the cost of tuition is awarded in PreK even when a family qualifies for more assistance.

If you have questions about the process, please contact Associate Director of Admission and Tuition Assistance Natalie J. Brennan '05 at 610.801.1205 or nbrennan@agnesirwin.org.



APPLYING FOR TUITION ASSISTANCE

STEP 1: Indicate your intention to apply for tuition assistance on the admission application.

When prompted on your application to The Agnes Irwin School, please indicate your intention to apply for tuition assistance. Our formal tuition assistance policy can be reviewed in the New Family Guide to Tuition Assistance, which can be found on our website at: agnesirwin.org/tuitionassistance.

Admission Application Deadline: December 4, 2020

STEP 2: Complete the online tuition assistance application.

Create an account at School and Student Services (SSS) at solutionsbysss.com. Our school code is 1138. You may submit your tuition assistance application between October 1, 2020 and December 11, 2020.

Completed Tuition Assistance Application Deadline for Full Consideration: December 11, 2020

STEP 3: Send required paperwork directly to SSS.

Copies of the required paperwork must be submitted electronically to SSS by the tuition assistance deadlines noted in the Documentation Schedule on the opposite page. These include:

- Parents' Financial Statement (PFS)
- Tuition Assistance Request Form 2021-2022
- 2019 Tax Return with all schedules (e.g. Form 1040, 1099, etc.)
- 2019 W-2s or Schedule K-1s (for both parents, if applicable)
- Non-Custodial Waiver (single parent households only)
- Most recent 2020 pay stubs (for both parents, if applicable)
- 2020 Tax Return with all schedules (e.g. Form 1040, 1099, etc.)
- 2020 W-2s or Schedule K-1s (for both parents, if applicable)

See documentation schedule for deadlines.

STEP 4: School's review and notification.

Agnes Irwin's Tuition Assistance Committee reviews each request for tuition assistance and determines whether a tuition assistance grant will be awarded based on the family's need and the school's budget. Tuition Assistance decisions will be announced for

admissible students beginning in mid-January 2021. Late requests for tuition assistance will only be considered if funds are still available after the first round of decisions.

STEP 5: Submit 2020 Federal Income Tax Forms.

In order to confirm a tuition assistance grant, all applicants must submit their 2020 federal income tax return (with all accompanying schedules), or Form 4868 demonstrating an approved tax extension, no later than April 1, 2021. Those who do not meet this deadline may then be responsible for full tuition until submitted. If your family is filing for an extension, the Tuition Assistance Committee will require that you submit your completed tax record no later than August 1, 2021, prior to the start of the school year.

Applications awarded tuition assistance will be finalized when the 2020 taxes and all schedules have been received.

This procedure is repeated each year that tuition assistance is needed. All information is kept in strict confidence.

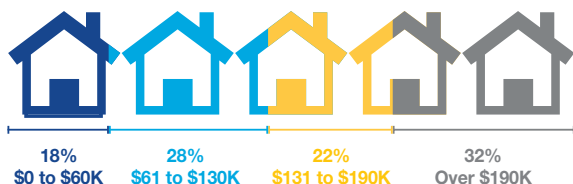
DOCUMENTATION SCHEDULE

| Items and Documents to Upload to SSS | Due Date |
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| PFS on SSS Portal | December 11, 2020 |
| Tuition Assistance Request Form 2021-2022 | December 11, 2020 |
| 2019 Tax Return with all schedules | December 11, 2020 |
| 2019 W-2s or K-1s | December 11, 2020 |
| Non-Custodial Waiver (single parents only) | December 11, 2020 |
| Most recent 2020 pay stub (for both parents, if applicable) | December 11, 2020 |
| Upload the following items to SSS when available | |
| | Due Date |
| 2020 W-2s or K-1s (for both parents, if applicable) | January 31, 2021 |
| 2020 Tax Return with all schedules Form 1040, 1099, or 4869 (if filing for an extension) | No later than April 1, 2021 |

Please note that for split households, all items must be submitted by both parents by creating two PFS applications as well as all supporting documentation outlined above.

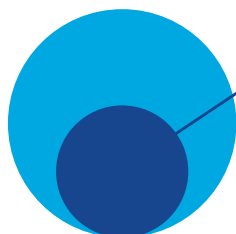
Gross Household Income

of families receiving tuition assistance



\$14,900 to \$29,250

Approximately half of our tuition assistance awards are within this range



37%
of current
Agnes Irwin
families receive
need-based
tuition assistance

\$4.7M

total tuition assistance
awarded to the
2020-2021 student body

The Agnes Irwin School awards students who qualify for assistance through this consideration process. We require all families to reapply for consideration every school year. The Agnes Irwin School adheres to the National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS) Principles of Good Practice for Financial Aid.

*The Agnes Irwin School empowers girls to learn, to lead, and to live a legacy. For more information, please visit **agnesirwin.org/tuitionassistance** for our detailed policy and procedures as well as FAQs for first time applicants.*

The **Agnes Irwin** School

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