



2024-2025 Financial Aid Application Information

Grades Kindergarten - 12

A Bayshore Christian School education is an investment in your child's future. Upon application and acceptance to Bayshore Christian School, families with students in grades Kindergarten (K5) through 12 may apply for Financial Aid through the FACTS Grant & Aid portal. There is a \$35.00 fee at the time of submission. To start your family's Financial Aid application, please visit <https://online.factsmgt.com/ga/aid/inst/3TWVP>.

Please review the policies below:

- A family's Financial Aid application will be complete when:
 - ✓ the student has applied and been accepted to Bayshore Christian School, or when a current student's completed Re-Enrollment Packet has been submitted;
 - ✓ the family has uploaded the required tax information and completed the FACTS online application; and
 - ✓ the family has included a Family Letter written by the student's parent or guardian with their online application.
- Once FACTS personnel have verified the tax and income information submitted, the Financial Aid Team may grant financial aid for an amount different than the amount recommended by FACTS.
- Families must reapply every year.
- Funding is limited and is determined by the school administration. It is based on need, family commitment to BCS, funding available at the time of the award, and a family's previous commitment to fulfilling their financial obligations.
- Decisions made by the Financial Aid Team are final. The remaining balance is the responsibility of the student's parent or guardian, and the family will have the option to choose only the 10- or 12-payment schedule through FACTS. The deadline for applications is March 15, 2024. After March 15, 2024, priority will be given to new applicant families.
- Financial Aid recipients are required to complete a minimum of 30 hours of Volunteer Service to the school throughout the year (15 service hours by December 1, 2024; 15 service hours by May 1, 2025). Completed service hours must be accompanied by an Adult Volunteer Hour Log Form, signed by the BCS faculty or staff member responsible for the Volunteer Service activity. Adult family members or adult family friends may complete the hours for the benefit of the family, and may not be accompanied by another individual (including children) during service hours. More details about the Volunteer Service requirement are available in the Financial Assistance Addendum to the Enrollment Contract.
- BCS expects families receiving Financial Aid to make other adjustments to their family expenditures in addition to seeking financial aid to help cover the costs of private education. When a family's financial situation improves greatly, the Financial Aid Team will adjust the annual grant to reflect the positive gain.

Please direct questions to Matti Valdivia, Enrollment and Scholarships Coordinator,
by emailing mvaldivia@bayshorechristianschool.org.

- While we attempt to assist families who qualify for financial aid, we expect that every family will make an appropriate financial contribution toward the cost of their child's education.
- In the interest of equity, if one parent elects to stay at home and not seek employment, the Financial Aid Team will impute a basic income of \$20,000 for the non-working parent. An exception is made if the parent is at home caring for a preschool age child or an elderly parent.
- If a parent elects to return to school or to change jobs resulting in a decrease in a family's financial resources, Bayshore Christian School cannot underwrite this family choice with greater financial assistance.
- If multiple children attend tuition-charging schools or colleges, BCS expects that the family will be applying for Financial Aid at all schools. Families should not expect that BCS will subsidize tuition at other schools or colleges.
- Bayshore Christian School reserves the right to request additional information or withdraw financial assistance from families at any time should discrepancies be discovered in the information provided.
- Bayshore Christian School maintains confidentiality in all aspects of the Financial Aid process. In the same way, we ask families to maintain confidentiality due to the sensitive nature of the information they have provided to the school.

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