Childswork Learning Center Tuition Assistance Guidelines

Overview
Childswork Learning Center is fully committed to promoting a diverse school community, with inclusion as an essential element of our educational philosophy and school culture. All families should have access to affordable quality early childhood education for their children, regardless of socioeconomic status, national and ethnic origin, gender, color, race, sexual orientation, or religion.

In partnership with TADS (a Financial Aid Assessment organization), Childswork provides Tuition Assistance to qualified families who would like to attend our school.

Option A: Financial Aid
- Financial Aid is available to qualified families from all socioeconomic backgrounds who can cover the majority, but not all of tuition and fees. The maximum Financial Aid award per child is 50% of the yearly tuition fee or a maximum of $4000.00. Financial Aid is not available for Explorers (before and after school care), Enrichment Classes, Camps, or KNO.
  
  - In addition, Financial Aid is available to families for temporary emergency aid to those who have experienced unexpected financial reversals in the course of a particular school year. For example, loss of employment or a serious illness. Childswork will consider special circumstances that are considered outside of the TADS report on a case-by-case basis.

Option B: Tuition Remission
- The Childswork Board of Directors recognizes that socioeconomic diversity enriches the educational opportunities for all families and that the participation of a wide range of families is critical to the well-being of the school. We are committed to providing full Tuition Remission to those who could not otherwise attend. In support of this, Tuition Remission is available to cover all tuition, fees, and the Explorer program (before and after school care available daily from 7:30AM- 5:30PM).
  
  - 100% Full Tuition coverage is available to enable qualified families to attend Childswork.

TADS
Information about TADS and the application process can be found on our website: www.childswork.org under “Childswork Tuition Assistance Program”.

TADS makes a recommendation to Childswork on the amount of Tuition Assistance per student based on the family’s calculated need and Childswork’s Tuition Assistance budget. Childswork works with TADS to create a final report of recommended award amounts. Tuition Assistance decision letters are distributed annually in May.
  
  - While TADS makes recommendations, the Childswork Tuition Assistance Committee determine final award decisions.
  
  - Financial Aid is applied evenly across ten months to coincide with tuition payments.

Tuition Assistance Combined with OPQ/DHS Contract
Childswork works with the State of Oregon’s Department of Human Services (DHS) to provide childcare to families who qualify for Employment Related Day Care (ERDC).

For more information or questions contact our Finance Manager Crystal Gwyn at crystal@childswork.org