

Sliding Scale Tuition Application

Supplemental Questionnaire



Child's full name (first, middle, last)

Children's Day School is a leader in socioeconomic diversity among San Francisco independent elementary schools. We devote more than 19% of our operating budget to our sliding scale tuition (for 2020-2021 almost \$3.5 million), an extraordinary financial commitment. 26% of our enrolled students are paying sliding scale tuition. Our sliding scale tuition is one of the many ways we honor our core commitment to diversity, including economic diversity.

Full tuition for the 2020-2021 school year for preschool-grade 4 is \$36,480 and for grades 5-8 is \$37,130. All families must pay a minimum of \$1,700 toward tuition, and the exact amount of each sliding scale tuition grant depends on each family's particular financial situation.

Although the school's commitment to sliding scale tuition is substantial, every year the need is greater than available funds. The CDS Access and Affordability Committee has developed this brief questionnaire that supplements the Parents' Financial Statement to assist it in fulfilling its important responsibility to distribute sliding scale tuition funds fairly and equitably.

Please complete this questionnaire and return it to CDS no later than Wednesday, December 16, 2020 (current families) or Wednesday, January 20, 2021 (prospective families). Please indicate N/A in the space provided below if any question does not apply to your circumstances. You may add additional pages if needed.

1. How much do you believe you can pay from all sources for **tuition** and **other school-related expenses** for the **2021-2022 school year** for each child you support?

For each child, please state what portion of the above amount(s) is/are for tuition and what portion is for other school-related expenses. If some portion is for other school-related expenses, please state what those expenses are (e.g., extended care).

2. Does your child or family receive financial support (including monetary gifts or funding for tuition) from any source other than you? If so, please indicate each source (e.g., grandparent, trust, etc.) and state the specific amounts received over the last two years from each source.

3. Are you receiving or do you anticipate receiving any grants or subsidies from any outside organization (such as SMART, the BASIC Fund, Guardsmen, Children's Council, or another such organization) to assist with tuition for the 2021-2022 school year? If so, please indicate the source and state the specific amount you are receiving or anticipate receiving.

4. If one or both parent(s)/guardian(s) is/are not currently employed, please indicate if the parent/guardian is currently looking for work or the reason why they are not seeking employment.

5. If your annual income is less than your annual expenses, please explain how the difference is funded.

6. For parents/guardians who are separated, divorced, or never married: please describe custodial and financial agreements and the degree of contact the student has had with any noncustodial parent/guardian in the last 5 years.

7. Please describe any additional or special circumstances you would like the Access and Affordability Committee to take into consideration while reviewing your application. Please be specific.