



GHCDS Financial Aid Protocols 2023-24 Academic Year

Good Hope Country Day School strives to enroll a diverse student body, including talented students from all socio-economic backgrounds. The school's Advancement Office raises funds beyond tuition dollars to help the school allocate approximately 18 percent of its budget to financial assistance. For 2023-24, the Financial Aid budget is expected to benefit 40 to 50 percent of our students.

To apply for financial assistance, a student must first be offered admission to GHCDS. The family must then complete and turn in the Application for Financial Aid, along with copies of the Parents'/Guardians' 2022 tax return(s), including all schedules.

Financial Aid Applications are due by Friday, April 28, 2023. Applications received after April 28 will be considered pending availability of funds.

Please note the following guidelines:

1. Parents are expected to contribute to the cost of their children's education to the best of their ability, considering the resources of both natural and step-parents, grandparents, and other close family members. Financial Aid will generally not exceed 50% of tuition.
2. In the case of divorce or separation, the custodial parent must secure the necessary financial information from the non-custodial parent.
3. Renewal of financial aid awards is not automatic; parents must reapply each year in order to be considered for assistance.
4. Although assistance is based on need, students are expected to demonstrate and maintain the academic and behavioral standards of the school, including honoring the school's Core Values: Respect, Scholarship, Citizenship, and Integrity.
5. Students and parents who receive financial assistance should be aware that funds are available in large part due to generous contributions made to the school for this purpose. All parents, including financial aid recipients, are strongly encouraged to contribute to the Annual Fund, regardless of the amount, since this encourages alumni and friends of GHCDS to give as well.

6. Financial aid awards are based on the following factors:
 - a. The family's financial situation
 - b. Space availability in the grade(s) applied for
 - c. Academic and behavioral records
 - d. Past payment history (for returning families)
 - e. Student and family participation in the life of the school (past or anticipated)
7. No application will be processed until all required information, including copies of the Parents'/Guardians' 2022 tax return(s), including all schedules.
8. The financial aid committee is composed of several members of the GHCDS administration. This committee reviews all applications and materials in the strictest confidence. The names of financial aid recipients are not disclosed to anyone other than those GHCDS employees who serve on the financial aid committee and/or administer the financial aid program.
9. Good Hope Country Day School does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, or national or ethnic origin in the administration of its admission, financial assistance, educational, or other school policies.
10. All applicants should embrace Good Hope Country Day School's motto:

"The Island is our Classroom, the World is our Responsibility."



**GHCDS Application for Financial Aid
2023-24 Academic Year**

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Name of current or prospective GHCDS Student(s):

	Name	Date of Birth	Grade for 2023-24
a.	_____	_____	_____
b.	_____	_____	_____
c.	_____	_____	_____
d.	_____	_____	_____

Parent/Guardian 1 _____

Address _____

Telephone: Home _____ Cell _____ Email _____

Employer _____

Title / Position _____

Work Telephone: _____ Ext. _____ Email: _____

Parent/Guardian 2 _____

Address _____

Telephone: Home _____ Cell _____ Email _____

Employer _____

Title / Position _____

Work Telephone: _____ Ext. _____ Email: _____

List any additional employment or income source(s) of Parent/Guardian 1 and/or Parent/Guardian 2:

Name additional dependent children of Parent/Guardian 1 and/or Parent/Guardian 2:

	Name	Age	School (If any)	Tuition	Grants/Aid received
a.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
b.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
c.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
d.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

FINANCIAL INFORMATION, INCOME:

Gross earnings of Parent/Guardian 1 for tax year 2022: _____

Anticipated gross earnings of Parent/Guardian 1 for tax year 2023: _____

Gross earnings of Parent/Guardian 2 for tax year 2022: _____

Anticipated gross earnings of Parent/Guardian 2 for tax year 2023: _____

Rental income (total for all property owned): _____

Child support (if separated or divorced): _____

Public assistance (SS, welfare, food stamps): _____

Other income (insurance, trusts, etc.): _____

Present market value of home, if owned: _____

Present market value of other real estate: _____

Bank accounts (as of date of submission): Total checking: _____ Total savings: _____

Market value of other holdings, stocks, etc.: _____

Are there others who contribute or could contribute to help meet the child's needs (grandparents, aunts and uncles, etc.)? Please explain:

Are there other income-producing people living in your household who are not shown on the attached income tax return? If so, please identify and indicate the amount of monthly income contributed to the support of the household.

Submit copies of the Parents'/Guardians' 2022 tax return(s), including all schedules with this application.

EXPENSES:

If home is owned, monthly mortgage payments: _____

If home is rented, monthly rent payments: _____

List any debts you are paying off (loans, credit cards, etc.)?

Company	Balance	Monthly Payment
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What other major expenses do you have on a recurring basis (medical, insurance, etc.)?

Are there any special circumstances which you would like the committee to take into consideration?

What amount per month do you feel you can contribute towards your child(ren)'s tuition at Good Hope Country Day School: _____

Please note that the maximum amount is generally 50% of the monthly tuition. You must provide an amount for the application to be processed.

Please explain how you came up with the above amount:

ACTIVITY INFORMATION:

Returning Parents/Guardians: List the Good Hope Country Day School projects in which you assisted or participated last year:

All Parents/Guardians: List any special interests or talents you have that would be helpful to the school, or activities in which you would like to assist or participate.

I hereby declare that all of the foregoing statements and information are complete, true and accurate.

Parent/Guardian 1 Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian 2 Signature _____ Date _____