

EVERGREEN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL

INFORMATION ON BURSARY AWARDS & FINANCIAL AID POLICY

Evergreen School Society is very conscious of the need to help families who, in the absence of financial support, would be unable to attend Evergreen. Increasing the amount of financial aid available, therefore, will continue to be a top priority for the Board.

The following policy statements and guidelines should be helpful. Those who need support should not hesitate to apply.

1. All financial awards are based on need as determined by the Bursary Committee. Separate from the establishment of financial need, we offer no bursaries based on academic excellence, musical or athletic talent or other criteria.
2. To be considered for financial aid, the family must file a confidential disclosure with the Bursary Committee. The level of support may be adjusted up or down each year if family resources increase or decrease significantly or if school enrolment is such that bursary students cannot be accommodated. Confirmation of family financial circumstances, therefore, must be re-filed with the Committee each year.
3. Need is defined as the difference between the cost of attending Evergreen and the amount which the family can reasonably be expected to pay.
4. The bursary amount given is at the discretion of the bursary committee. The bursary committee will be struck each year and consist of the president or treasurer of the society and two community members, at least one of whom must be an ex-Evergreen parent.
5. A bursary award will be awarded in the form of a tuition reduction, an interest-free or interest-bearing loan, or a combination of the above.

Evergreen School Society would like all students to receive the full assistance requested. However, since this is impossible, we try to judge each application fairly and on its merits compared with all others originating in the same year. We sincerely trust that applicants will appreciate the difficulties inherent to our position and be tolerant in the case of any disappointments.

How to apply:

Parents must complete a financial disclosure using forms provided by the School. Each year, in order to evaluate the needs of all applicants as a group, the Bursary Committee normally meets during the month of May with final decisions published by June 30th. However, the School would wish to respond, if possible, to those families requiring an earlier decision or families that are new to the school throughout the school year. If you have any further questions, please contact the Head of the Bursary Committee.

Bursary Applications are available in the office from the Administrative assistant as well as through the enrollment committee. Completed applications will be placed in the Bursary Committee mailbox. Bursary applications are confidential and will be kept with other financial documents with the bookkeeper.