



Children's Tuition Fund

Family Application Steps

Interested in applying for a Children's Tuition Fund of IL (CTF of IL) scholarship? There are five steps to the application process. The CTF of IL scholarship application opens in January each year for the following school year. Find out more information below!

CTF Application Steps

1. Apply for a scholarship through the student application on the CTF of IL website.
 - The application link changes from year to year but can be found at childrenstuitionfund.org on the Illinois parents page!
2. CTF of IL reviews scholarship applications based on state guidelines and in the order the applications are received.
3. If it is determined that you would potentially qualify for funding, CTF of IL will contact you with instructions for moving forward.

If contacted by CTF of IL...

4. Complete third-party financial vetting.
5. If it is determined that you are eligible for a scholarship based on state requirements, CTF of IL will notify you via email of your award and work with your school to send funds!
6. Your scholarship funds will be sent directly to your school.
7. **Don't forget to reapply next year!**

When will I know if I've been awarded a scholarship?

CTF of IL works to determine scholarship eligibility in a timely manner. Scholarship funds for your school must become available before applications can be reviewed. Scholarship contributions are donated at any point throughout the year, meaning scholarship timelines can vary greatly depending on the availability of funding for your school!

Did you know?

CTF of IL works with funds contributed via the Invest in Kids Act – legislation passed by the state of Illinois that gives parents more school choice options. CTF of IL must work within guidelines set by the state when awarding scholarships.