



HEIGHTS CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS

TUITION ASSISTANCE INFORMATION | 2023-2024

To our families seeking tuition assistance*:

Thank you for your interest in applying for Tuition Assistance for your child. **HEIGHTS CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS** are committed to providing quality Christian education to children and it is our sincere desire to afford the opportunity of a Christian school education to as many families as possible.

We honor the sacrifices you have made, and are willing to continue to make, in order that your child can receive a Christ-centered education. This decision is one that will have an eternal impact on your family.

To evaluate your application, we have enlisted the services of TADS (Tuition Aid Data Services), a neutral third party, who will provide us financial need evaluation services that offer maximum benefit to the student and the school. This will facilitate the processing of applications in a confidential, timely and neutral manner.

SEE BELOW FOR A LIST OF QUALIFYING CAMPUSES, GRADES AND PROGRAMS:

Brea Elementary (TK, K, 1, 2, 3, 4)	Bluefield Junior High (7, 8)
Brea Preschool (Any 5 Full-Day Program)	La Habra Heights Preschool (Any 5 Full-Day Program)
Chino Hills Elementary (K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6)	La Mirada Elementary (TK, K, 1, 2, 3, 4)
Chino Hills Preschool (Any 5 Full-Day Program)	La Mirada Preschool (Any 5 Full-Day Program)
Bluefield Intermediate Program (5, 6)	Inland Hills Preschool (Any 5 Full-Day Program)

Therefore, families seeking Tuition Assistance should take the following steps:

1. Enroll your student(s) at one of our campuses.

Reminder: preschool students must be enrolled in a 5 Full-Day Program to be considered for assistance.

2. Go to <https://sssandtadsfa.force.com/familyportal> to apply.

- The application fee is \$60, paid directly to TADS.
- You will be asked to provide supporting documentation, e.g. tax forms and W2s.
- Be sure to apply and turn in your documentation in a timely manner as deadlines do exist.
- If applying to a **preschool**, please select **"Heights Christian Schools – All Preschools"** for your application.

TADS Partner Codes:

Brea Elementary 200531	Intermediate Program 200537
Chino Hills Elementary 200532	Junior High 200538
La Mirada Elementary 200536	All Preschools 200539

After you submit your application online, TADS will evaluate the application and send a report to our District Office. Our administration will then be able to make final decisions and let you know how we can assist you in the upcoming school year.

Should you have any questions regarding this application process for Tuition Assistance, please contact Marcella Fernandez at 714-921-9070. Blessings to you and your family!

**HCS offers a variety of tuition discounts and tuition assistance programs. Only one tuition discount per family. Families receiving a tuition discount are also eligible to apply for tuition assistance if conditions of the tuition assistance program are met. Families currently receiving support from outside subsidies are not eligible for HCS tuition assistance.*

Applying for financial aid

for the 2023-2024 academic year

We partner with TADS in our financial aid process. To begin your financial aid application, you will complete the Parents' Financial Statement (PFS) then submit the required documents for our school indicated below.

The PFS is a comprehensive application that will take some time to complete. Give yourself the time you need by not waiting until our deadline approaches. You'll need your most recent tax return before beginning the PFS.

We will communicate our financial aid decision to you. To make our decision, we use the information from the PFS as a starting point and consider our school policies, practices, and available budget.



How to complete your Parents' Financial Statement (PFS) online

- Beginning February 27, 2023, go to the Family Portal at <https://sssandtadsfa.force.com/familyportal>.
- Create your Family Portal account with your email address and a password. If you applied for financial aid last year, log into the Family Portal as a Returning Family using your same email address and password.
- Complete a PFS for Academic Year 2023-2024. You can log out at any time and return later to finish it.
- When all PFS sections are complete with green checks, the Submit & Pay button activates. Follow prompts to the payment screen. The \$60 fee is nonrefundable. Once your PFS is submitted, it cannot be withdrawn from the SSS system.
- After you pay for and submit your PFS, the next step will require you to upload required documents by their deadlines as part of your application process.



How to submit your required documents online

- Prepare your document files for uploading. Make sure the documents are on your computer and each specific form is saved as a separate file. Examples: a) 1 PDF file for the 1040 with all schedules and worksheets included, b) each W2 saved as its own file. Remove any security or password protection from your files.
- Return to your Family Portal account and confirm you are on the Academic Year 2023-2024 Dashboard.
- In the "Required Documents" section, use the Upload button or link associated with the specific document type. Follow prompts to locate, select, and confirm the file to upload.
- Click the Submit button to complete your upload. The date will appear in the "Date Uploaded" column within minutes of the upload. Repeat this process until all required documents are submitted by their deadlines.

Key information you need to know about our school as you complete the 2023-24 PFS:

Contact information for our Financial Aid Office: Marcella Fernandez | p:(714) 921-9070 | mfernandez@heights.net

Documents we require you to submit with your PFS ***for each financially responsible parent/guardian:***

1040 with all schedules and worksheets*

Tax Year: 2022

W2 Form

Tax Year: 2022

Recent Pay Stub

**Self-Employed Parents: Include all related business forms with your 1040 file (i.e., Schedule C, Schedule E, 1120, 1065, and K-1).*

Need help with your PFS or required documents?

Contact Family Support at (800) 344-8328 or sssandtadsfa@communitybrands.com.



Completing the application online is easy, fast and secure.
Visit <http://www.mytads.com/> to start the application.



This is a worksheet to help you prepare to fill out the TADS Financial Aid Application and WILL NOT be accepted as an application.

You will need the following supporting documentation before you begin:

- Most recently filed federal taxes
- Most Recent W-2's received by all Parents/Guardians listed on application
- Recent pay stubs of jobs that Parents/Guardians currently hold
- All documentation that establishes how much miscellaneous monthly or yearly income you currently receive (i.e. welfare, food stamps, unemployment, workers' compensation)
- All corporate, partnership and trust tax forms, if a Parent/Guardian owns 20% or more interest in a corporation or partnership or if any member of the household owns 20% or more interest in a trust
- Other documentation (recent utility bills, daycare expense, etc.,) may be required

SECTION 3 List all jobs held by Parent(s)/Guardian(s) since January 1, 2022, even if no longer at this job

If a Parent/Guardian only received a Form 1099, enter that in Section 4.

2. 2022 Wages, Tips, Other Compensation: This value can be found in Box 1 of your 2022 W-2. If you do not have your 2022 W-2 yet, use the year-to-date total off of your last December 2022 paycheck. You may fax the W-2 in later as long as it is before the application deadline.

3. 2023 Estimated Wages, Tips, Other Compensation for this job: If you estimate that your 2023 income from job will be lower than 2022 income, please attach an explanation of why you believe that will happen.

1. Employer Name

2. 2022 Wages, Tips & Other Compensation

3. 2023 Estimated Wages, Tips, Other Compensation

SECTION 4 List Business, Farm, Corporation, Partnership, Trust and Miscellaneous Income since January 1, 2022

Complete this section even if the business recently closed, or has just opened. Find your relevant tax form below and enter the corresponding line number values for each field on the application. For example: If you filed Form 1065 because you are involved in a Partnership, you should find 'Partnership - Form 1065' in the section below. You will then notice that there are two numbers, 1. and 2. Listed after each number is the action you need to take for that item. Continuing with the Partnership example, you would look at 1. and notice that it says 'Line 22'. Find Line 22 on the Partnership Form 1065 and enter that number into 1. 2022 Actual Net Profit on this application.

Group 1: No additional fee is required if you submitted tax documentation to the federal government for the following group:

Group 2: An additional processing fee is required if you submitted tax documentation to the federal government for the following group:

- Miscellaneous Income - Form 1099: 1. Line 7, 2. Leave blank
- Business Schedule C: 1. Line 31, 2. Line 13
- Business Schedule C-EZ: 1. Line 3, 2. Leave blank
- Farm - Schedule F: 1. Line 34, 2. Line 14
- Estates and Trusts - Form 1041: 1. Line 22, 2. Leave blank
- Partnership - Form 1065: 1. Line 22, 2. Line 16c
- Corporation (Short Form) - Form 1120-A: 1. Line 26, 2. Line 20c
- Corporation - Form 1120: 1. Line 30, 2. Line 20
- S Corporation - Form 1120S: 1. Line 21, 2. Line 14c

1. 2022 Actual Net Profit

2. 2022 Actual Depreciation

3. 2023 Estimated Net Profit

SECTION 5 Other Monthly Income

	Monthly Social Security for:	Monthly Average Amount Received for:	Miscellaneous Monthly Income:
1. Welfare Income _____	3. Parent(s)/Guardian(s) _____	6. Child Support _____	8. Taxable _____
2. Food Stamps _____	4. Dependents under 19 _____	7. Alimony _____	9. Non-Taxable _____
	5. Elderly Dependents _____		

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SECTION 6 Other Yearly Income

1. 2022 Interest & Dividends: This value is found by adding lines 2a, 2b and 3b on your 1040 tax return form.
6.&7. Include any income that is not accounted for elsewhere on this application.

- 1. 2022 Interest & Dividends _____
- Yearly Workers' Compensation**
- 2. Actual 2022 _____
- 3. Estimated 2023 _____

- Yearly Unemployment**
- 4. Actual 2022 _____
- 5. Estimated 2023 _____

- Miscellaneous Yearly Income**
- 6. 2022 Lump Sum _____
- 7. Recurring Yearly _____

SECTION 7 If You Pay Rent

Enter the amount you pay for rent alone; do not include utility expenses unless they are built in to your monthly rental payments.

- 1. Monthly Rent _____
- 2. Yearly Renters' Insurance _____

SECTION 8 Yearly Energy Expenses (renters and homeowners)

If you rent, do not include these expenses if they are already included in monthly rental payments. Homeowners should report expenses.

- 1. Electricity _____
- 2. Gas, Oil, Coal _____
- 3. Water, Sewage _____

SECTION 9 Assets and Expenses – Home

Fill out this section if you are a homeowner.
4. Current Market Value: If you have not had a recent appraisal on your property, use the most recent Real Estate Tax Assessment.
5. Amount Owed on Home Loans & Mortgages: Make sure to include any second mortgages in this figure.
10. 2022 Rental Income: Include rent or mortgage contributions from others living in home.

- 1. Year of Purchase _____
- 2. Purchase Price _____
- 3. Improvements/Additions _____
- 4. Current Market Value _____

- 5. Amount Owed on Home Loans & Mortgages _____
- 6. Monthly Mortgage Payment _____
- 7. 2022 Property Tax _____

- 8. 2022 Home Insurance _____
- 10. 2022 Rental Income (if not a single family dwelling) _____
- 11. 2022 Rental Expenses (if not a single family dwelling) _____

SECTION 10 Assets and Expenses – Real Estate other than Home

Fill out this section if you own any other properties in addition to your home, including rental properties, land, etc.
4. Current Market Value: If you have not had recent appraisals done on your properties, use the most recent Real Estate Tax Assessments.
6. Total Monthly Loan/Mortgage Payment: List total monthly mortgage or loan payments for all properties other than home.

- 7. 2022 Gross Property Income: List the total yearly gross income for properties other than home. _____
- 8. 2022 Gross Property Expenses: List total expenses for properties. Do not include principal paid on loan or mortgage amounts. _____

- 1. Number of Properties _____
- 2. Purchase Price of all Properties _____
- 3. Cost of Improvements/Additions _____
- 4. Current Market Value _____

- 5. Amount Owed for all Properties _____
- 6. Total Monthly Loan/Mortgage Payment _____
- 7. 2022 Gross Property Income _____
- 8. 2022 Gross Property Expenses _____

SECTION 11 Assets and Debt – Automobiles

Please enter market value and current debt for the vehicles that you own in items 1., 2. and 3., and requested information for the vehicles that you are leasing in 4. and 5.
6. Yearly Total of Vehicle Insurance Cost: Please enter the yearly cost of insurance for all vehicles that you either own or lease.

- Information for vehicles that you own**
- 1. # of Vehicles _____
- 2. Total Current Market Value _____
- 3. Total Debt _____

- Information for vehicles that you lease**
- 4. # of Vehicles _____
- 5. Total Monthly Lease _____

- 6. Yearly Insurance Cost for All Vehicles _____

SECTION 12 Assets – Recreational Vehicles/Boats

1. Value: Include market value for all recreational vehicles that you own. A few examples of recreational vehicles are: Motor homes, boats, motorcycles, all terrain vehicles, personal watercrafts, snowmobiles and dune buggies.

2. Debt: Please list amount you owe for all of the recreational vehicles that you own.

1. Value _____

2. Debt _____

SECTION 13 Assets – Cash, Stocks, etc.

1. Checking, Savings, Cash, CD's: List current value of these accounts, along with cash on hand.

2. Stocks, Securities, Bonds, Mutual Funds: List current value of these accounts.

1. Checking, Savings, Cash, CD's _____

2. Stocks, Securities, Bonds, Mutual Funds _____

SECTION 14 Assets – Retirement Plans

1. Current Total Value: Enter the total amount that these funds are worth. This value is not just the sum of 2. and 3., but rather the total worth of the funds from a recent statement. If year 2022 contributions are still pending, please estimate total.

2. 2022 Contribution – Household: Enter the total amount that Parents/Guardians contributed towards these funds during 2021. If year 2022 contributions are still pending, please estimate total.

3. 2022 Contribution – Employer: Enter the total amount that employers of Parents/Guardians contributed toward these funds during 2022. If year 2022 contributions are still pending, please estimate total.

<p>1. Total Current Value Self Managed (IRA, SEP, etc.): _____</p> <p>Other Managed (401k, etc.): _____</p>	<p>2. 2022 Contribution–Employer Self Managed (IRA, SEP, etc.): _____</p> <p>Other Managed (401k, etc.): _____</p>	<p>3. 2022 Contribution–Household Self Managed (IRA, SEP, etc.): _____</p> <p>Other Managed (401k, etc.): _____</p>
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SECTION 15 Medical Expenses

1. Medical/Dental and 2. Prescription Drugs: List only out-of-pocket expenses that will not be, or have not been covered by insurance. Include co-pay amounts here.

3. Annual Insurance Premiums: If you pay insurance premiums, list the corresponding amounts here. Please list the total amount you pay in a year.

<p>1. Payments Made in 2022 Medical/Dental _____</p> <p>Prescription Drugs _____</p> <p>Prescription Eyewear _____</p>	<p>2. Current Medical Debt Medical/Dental _____</p> <p>Prescription Drugs _____</p> <p>Prescription Eyewear _____</p>	<p>3. Annual Insurance Premiums Medical/Dental _____</p> <p>Prescription Drugs _____</p> <p>Prescription Eyewear _____</p>
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SECTION 16 Alimony and Child Support Expenses

1. Child Support Paid to Others (2022) _____

2. Estimated Child Support to be paid to Others (2023) _____

3. Alimony Paid to Others (2022) _____

4. Estimated Alimony to be Paid to Others (2023) _____

SECTION 17 Day Care and/or Elderly Care Expenses (include summer camp expenses)

Do not include pre-kindergarten, as this is considered a school expense which should be listed in Section 22.

<p>1. Dependent Name _____ _____ _____</p>	<p>2. 2022 Payments _____ _____ _____</p>	<p>3. Estimated 2023 Payments _____ _____ _____</p>
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SECTION 18 Charitable Giving (list your three largest contributions)

If you made tax deductible donations to non-profit organizations in 2022, list the three organizations you donated the most to and the amount of those donations.

<p>1. Charity Name _____ _____ _____</p>	<p>2. 2022 Contributions _____ _____ _____</p>
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SECTION 19 Miscellaneous Debt (do not list debt on home or property, medical debt, debt for cars, boats, or other vehicles)

List the total outstanding dollar amount in each item. Do not include medical debt, vehicle debt, home loans, second mortgages or home equity loans. If you have more than one credit card, add all card balances together and enter the total amount. Documentation of any debt may be required.

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| 1. Credit Card | 4. Loans—Friends or Relatives | 6. Education—Parent(s)/Guardian(s) |
| 2. Bank Loans | 5. Education—Dependents | 7. Other Debt |
| 3. Loan Companies | | |

5. Education – Dependents: List the total amount of education debt owed for dependents. Do not include dependents' tuition amount for the 2023-24 school year.

7. Other Debt: List the amount of debt excluding all other debt previously listed.

SECTION 21 Contributions to Education (2023–2024)

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| 1. How much (in your opinion) can Parent(s)/Guardian(s) contribute toward the tuition of all dependents in this household next year? | 2. How much per year is a non-custodial parent ordered by law to contribute toward the education of those applying for financial aid with this form? | 3. How much will any other sources contribute toward the education of those applying for financial aid with this form? |
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SECTION 23 List all Dependents in the Household; do not include Parent(s)/Guardian(s)

If you have more than five dependents, please see submit this application, then contact Tads to add any additional Dependents. Definition of "Dependent": Any child that you can claim on your 1040 tax form is a dependent. In addition, any child who is living in your household for six months or more per year and who is under age 18 qualifies as a dependent. If you are a non-custodial parent, all children applying for financial aid should be listed as dependents, even if not living in your household and not on your taxes. Do not list Parents/Guardians in this section.

1. Dependent Earnings in 2022 if a dependent held a job in 2022, list the earnings in this section. Do not list Social Security income or earnings from stocks, securities, etc.

2. Dependent Current Savings: Do not include 529 College Savings Plans in this figure.

3. 529 Savings Plan: If the dependent has a 529 College Savings Plan include the total amount saved here.

4. Amount Dependent Can Contribute: If a dependent is working or has savings, most schools will expect the dependent to contribute something toward his/her own education. What do you think is reasonable for this dependent to contribute?

5. Expenses – Bus, Books, Uniforms, etc.: Include expenses that the school requires you to pay outside of tuition costs. Do not include optional expenses such as fees to play sports or fees for other extracurricular activities, or expenses such as lunch or gas.

Dependent Number	1. Dependent Earnings in 2022	2. Dependent Current Savings	3. 529 Savings Plan	4. Amount Dependent can contribute to education from earnings/savings for school year 2023-24	5. Expenses - Bus, Books, Uniforms, Fees, etc.
#1	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
#2	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
#3	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
#4	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
#5	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

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When you are ready to fill out an online application, go to www.mytads.com, click on 'Financial Aid' and follow directions.

**WORKSHEET
DO NOT SUBMIT**

Contact TADS**E-mail, Telephone or Fax:**

We are available to assist you with questions in filling out your application or to check the status of your application through the following:

E-mail: tads-support@communitybrands.com

Toll-free: 1.800.477.8237 We are available Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Central Time.

Telephone: 612.548.3320 We are available Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Central Time.

Fax Number: 612.548.3326