



How to Submit a Financial Aid Application

The St. Paul's Episcopal Day School financial aid program is designed to make a St. Paul's education possible for all families. St. Paul's is proud to use the [Clarity Application](#) to determine a family's level of financial need based on the information that families share in the application which includes assets, income, expenses, and debts.

How is Financial Aid awarded?

- Returning students, enrolling siblings of a returning student, and children of faculty have priority consideration.
- Class fees are included in the award determination. Lunch, athletic, and miscellaneous fees are not included in the tuition award determination.
- In two parent households, both parents are expected to contribute to the family income to receive an award.
- Students who receive a 50% or greater award also receive a \$2.00 reduction in the cost of school lunch, a 50% reduction in athletic fees, and their Parents' Guild dues are waived.
- Approved Financial Aid awards are applied to the student contract upon acceptance. New families will have a week to review and finalize enrollment. Current families will have until February 28 to finalize enrollment for the next school year.
- A family can request additional support for miscellaneous fees through the Good Samaritan Fund. Send request to admissions@speds.org.

Applying for Financial Aid with Clarity

To get started, please go to the [**Clarity Application**](#) and create an account. The application typically takes less than 30 minutes to complete. The Clarity Application is also mobile-friendly so you can complete it from anywhere. You



are also able to save your progress and return at any time. At the end of the application, there is a \$60 fee to submit.

The deadline for completing the financial aid application and receiving priority consideration is December 1.

If you need support during the process of completing your application, there is in-app support available through the “Help” button in the bottom left of the screen, as well as email and phone support at support@clarityapp.com or 206-210-3752, in both English and Spanish. The application itself is also fully translated into Spanish.

Why St. Paul's Uses Clarity for Financial Aid Processing FAQ

Why did St. Paul's choose Clarity?

We have chosen Clarity as our financial aid application provider to better serve both our current and prospective families. We are confident that this change is going to make the process of applying for financial aid easier for families.

How does Clarity make it easier for me to apply for financial aid?

Clarity offers a streamlined, mobile friendly application that can be completed in as short a time as 20 minutes. Additionally, Clarity removes the need to upload your most recent W2 and 1040 by transferring them directly from the IRS. This reduces the amount of information that you will need to enter manually and makes it possible to complete the application quickly and efficiently.

Is my information secure with Clarity?

St. Paul's Episcopal Day School takes the privacy and security of your personal information very seriously. Clarity is certified for both GDPR and SOC2 and uses enterprise-level security standards including end-to-end encryption of all personally identifiable information. For more information, please refer to [**Clarity's Privacy Policy.**](#)

**How will this impact my award?**

Just as in prior years, if your financial circumstances have not changed, you will not see significant changes to your award. If you have any questions about your individual circumstance, please reach out to us.

Will I still need to apply every year?

Yes, you will need to submit a Clarity application each year to qualify for financial aid; however, Clarity retains your information from previous applications, so it will be even easier to reapply.

Can I complete my Clarity application on my phone or tablet?

Yes! Clarity's application is fully mobile-friendly so you have access wherever you are.

When do I need to apply?

For your application to receive priority processing, you must submit the completed application by December 1. If you are applying for a new student after the December 1 deadline, please know that financial aid applications can be processed at any time (if there are funds remaining).