

Financial Aid Information

2010-2011

The process for applying for Financial Aid for the 2010-2011 school year is described below. To be eligible for consideration for financial aid at Christian Family Montessori School, you must complete your application by **February 26th**.

We use School and Student Services (SSS) to assist in processing financial aid applications. SSS is a service of the National Association of Independent Schools. To begin your financial aid application for the 2010-11 school year, follow these steps below.

ONLINE (*Preferred: If you apply for financial aid online, your information will be delivered more quickly to our school, allowing us to make a faster decision about your eligibility for financial aid.*)

1. To begin, go to <http://sss.nais.org/parents/>
2. Under "Apply for Financial Aid," click on "access the PFS". You only have to complete one PFS even if you have several children applying to our school.
3. You will be given a password that will allow you to return to your PFS at a later date before submitting it.
4. Our school code is 2407.
5. Please answer all questions on the application. There are several questions that ask for additional explanation. Please provide the required supporting information. **CFMS cannot make awards based on incomplete applications.**
6. If you and your child's other parent/guardian are separated or divorced, then **both households must submit their own PFS and supporting tax forms.** Each household should complete a separate PFS with the requested information regarding all members of each household (step-parents, siblings etc.).
7. You will be given instructions about submitting required backup documents by mail. Supporting documentation required with all financial aid applications includes your 2009 W-2's and tax forms. Your documents will be handled with the utmost level of security. To read more about SSS's document security, go to sss.nais.org.
8. Mail the required documents to: SSS by NAIS, Application Processing Center, P.O. Box 449, Randolph, MA 02368-0449. (For overnight mail, use this address: SSS by NAIS, Application Processing Center, 437 Turnpike Street, Canton, MA 02021.)

A New Look at sss.nais.org

Families who have applied for financial aid in the past will see that this website looks different. It uses the same methodology and will require the same information. But we think you will find the interface and on-screen help more user-friendly.

BY MAIL

1. If you don't have internet access, you can obtain a paper copy of the application from the CFMS office.
2. Complete the PFS and return it and all required backup documents to: SSS by NAIS, Application Processing Center, P.O. Box 449, Randolph, MA 02368-0449 USA. (For overnight mail, use this address: SSS by NAIS, Application Processing Center, 437 Turnpike Street, Canton, MA 02021.)

EN ESPAÑOL

Para más información, por favor llámenos en la oficina de CFMS al 301-927-7122

Call (800) 344-8328 with any questions (Mon - Fri: 9am - 8pm EST. Sat: 9am - 4pm EST)