

Church of the Cross Preschool Tuition Assistance Guidelines

Church of the Cross Preschool is a ministry of Lutheran Church of the Cross. Our purpose is to serve preschool children and their families by providing an excellent, educational, and developmentally appropriate preparation for school and for life as we share God's love and grace.

All families of preschool children may apply for tuition assistance. Tuition assistance, established by Lutheran Church of the Cross and Church of the Cross Preschool, is for children who are enrolled for the current academic year. Families not eligible for preschool empowerment funds through the Preschool Voucher Program at Central Place may qualify for tuition assistance through Church of the Cross Preschool. In addition, any family experiencing extenuating circumstances that interfere with meeting one or more monthly tuition payments throughout the academic year may qualify for tuition assistance. Eligibility is dependent upon completing an application and providing documentation of need.

The Church of the Cross Preschool Tuition Assistance and the Preschool Voucher Program at Central Place have been established for preschool children whose families' income level meets eligibility guidelines as shown on the accompanying scale.

The 2009 Health & Human Services (HHS) Poverty Guidelines for the 48 Contiguous States and the District of Columbia for Empowerment Low-Income Preschool Tuition Assistance

Persons in family or household (including all children under 18 years of age)	2009 Poverty Guidelines *	Parents: If your household income is at or below the 2009 Annual Update of the Health and Human Services (HHS) Poverty Guidelines, your child may be eligible for tuition assistance. Source: <i>Federal Register</i> , Vol. 74, No. 14, January 23, 2009, pp. 4199-4201
1	\$ 21,660	
2	29,140	
3	36,620	
4	44,100	
5	51,580	
6	59,060	
7	66,540	
8	74,020	
For each additional person add	\$ 7480	

Source: <http://aspe.hhs.gov/POVERTY/09poverty.shtml>

Please complete the following form, provide supporting documents, and submit to Karma Nielsen, Preschool Director. The Preschool Ministry Leadership Team will inform you of the award decision no later than immediately following the next regular board meeting.

PART ONE: APPLICANT INFORMATION

Please print completing all portions of the application with requested information.

Child's Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Does the child you are applying for live with you? Yes Full-time Part-time
 No

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Address _____
 Street/Post Office Box _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone: Home _____ Mobile _____ Work _____

PART TWO: FAMILY MEMBERS

List all the people living in the home including PARENTS, STEPPARENTS OR GUARDIANS of the children for whom you are applying. List the adults first and then the children below. You do not need to list children over age 19 or other friends or relatives who live in the home.

Last Name	First Name	Age	Wages/ month	Gross Income/ month	Source of Additional Income								Receives Medicaid, hawk-i		Receives free or reduced lunch		
					Cash Assistance, Family Investment Program (FIP)		Alimony, Child Support		Pensions, Retirement, Social Security		Other Income (rental, farm payments)		Yes	No	Yes	No	
					Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No					

I certify that all the above information is true and correct and that all income is reported. Incorrect information may forfeit eligibility for scholarship funds.

Printed Name of Household Adult _____

Signature of Household Adult _____

Social Security Number _____ I do not have a Social Security Number

Please attach copies of the following to this application:

1. Page one (1) of the previous year's (2008) tax form which includes Gross income and Adjusted Gross Income
2. The last two (2) months pay stubs
3. If there has been a recent change in your income that will make payment of preschool fees a hardship, please attach an explanation.

