

TUITION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM Deadlines & Frequently Asked Questions

Deadlines and Notifications

March 6 - Completed applications, required documents and \$34 application fee are due to TADS. Late applications WILL NOT be accepted.

April 30 - (April Round) Notification letters are sent informing you if you will or will not be receiving a tuition scholarship. Students who are in preschool/junior kindergarten or who did not submit a complete application will not receive a letter from the AEF.

August 1 - (August Round) Scholarships that were forfeited by the April Round recipients will be awarded and recipients notified by mail.

September 30 - Tuition Scholarship checks are sent to schools for credit to student's tuition account. Check your child's tuition account at the end of October to ensure the scholarship has posted.

Note: The AEF tuition scholarship can only be applied to the cost of tuition (lunch, morning/afterschool care, books, etc. are not eligible). The AEF tuition scholarship cannot be used as a refund if a recipient has a zero tuition account balance.

Scholarship Eligibility & Application Process

How do I apply? Use this link - <http://augustinefoundation.org/scholarships.html>

Who is eligible for a scholarship? All students (grades K-12) who will attend a Hawaii Catholic School during the upcoming school year. Students do not have to be currently enrolled to apply for a scholarship, but you do need to be officially enrolled at the time the scholarship is awarded.

How much are the scholarships? The amount of the tuition scholarship varies from year to year. In the past, the scholarships awarded were \$1,000 (grades K-8) and \$1,250 (grades 9-12).

What about students who are in preschool or junior kindergarten? Due to our limited funding, we do not provide scholarships to children in preschool or junior kindergarten. Although, the AEF Tuition Scholarship Program does not provide scholarships to preschools/ELCs, some preschools/ELCs use our application to evaluate your level of need for their own school's financial aid program. Please inquire at your preschool/ELC.

What if I am applying for more than one student or to different Catholic schools? One application per family, even if the children attend different schools or you are applying to different schools.

What if I've already applied for financial aid with TADS with another school or program for the 2017-2018 school year? You will need to update your TADS financial aid application to include the Augustine Educational Foundation. Log-in to your existing financial aid application with TADS, go to the "Scholarship" tab. Check the box for the student listed under the school name with "Scholarship: Augustine Educational Foundation".

Do I have to make a certain amount of money to apply for a scholarship? No, any family can apply for a scholarship. A priority is given families who have a financial need.

Do I have to be Catholic to apply? No, you do not need to be Catholic to apply. Families, regardless of religious affiliation, can apply.

Can students from public schools apply? Yes, if they intend to enroll in a Hawaii Catholic School in the upcoming school year.

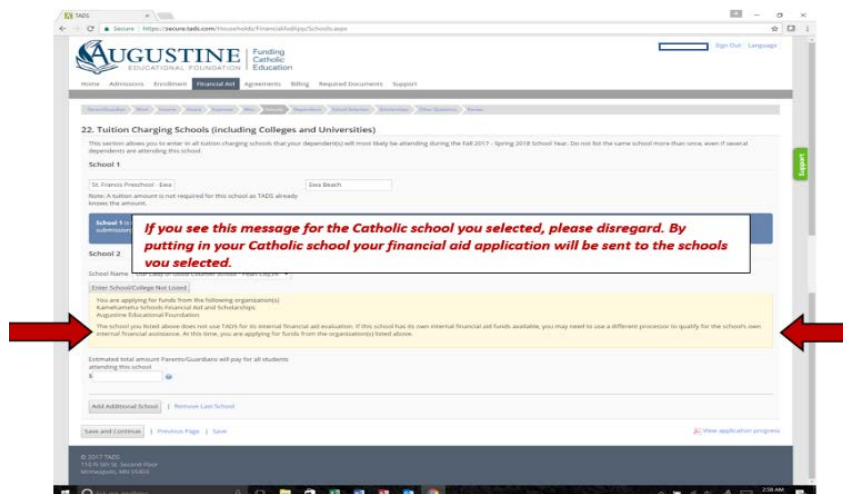
Do I have to reapply each year? *Yes, you must reapply for a tuition scholarship each year.*

What if I am divorced, separated, or never married? *The primary parent completes and submits the TADS application.*

“Schools” Tab Message Alert: If you get the following message:

The school you listed above does not use TADS for its’ internal financial aid evaluation

Please disregard, the Hawaii Catholic school(s) you selected will receive your application. All Hawaii Catholic Schools are covered by the AEF Application.



Application and Document Submission

How do I submit my application? *On-line, directly to TADS via the on-line application portal. Paper application are not available. The AEF does not accept applications or any required documents. All documentation must be turned in directly to TADS.*

Is the application process secure? *Yes. All documentation received is imaged upon receipt and then destroyed. Then, the application data becomes property of the AEF.*

How do I submit my documents? *Once you completed and submitted your application on-line, directly to TADS, you have three ways:*

- Upload (Preferred Method) - you will have the opportunity to upload your documents at the end of your application and any time after, by logging back into your account. The \$34 fee is paid via VISA, MasterCard, American Express, Discover or Electronic Bank Check (ACH).
- Fax - fax your documents to TADS at 612-548-3326
- Mail - you can mail your documents and \$34 (check or money order only, payable to TADS):

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****Please be sure to include your TADS Reference Number on ALL documents and correspondence****

What happens after I apply? *You can log into your TADS account to check the status of your application.*

Processing Fee

Why do I have to pay \$34? *The \$34 covers the cost of processing/evaluating your application by TADS.*

Do I have to pay the \$34 fee for each student applicant? *Fees are assessed on a per family basis, not a per student basis. A family with two or more student applicants, would still pay \$34.*

What if I cannot afford to pay the \$34 processing fee? *Call the Foundation directly at (808) 203-6748.*

Questions

Applying, Submitting Documents or Paying Service Processing Fee: *Please contact TADS directly by phone at 1-800-477-8237 or 612-548-3320 - Monday - Saturday 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. CST. You may also visit support on their website for FAQs and live chat - <http://www.tads.com/contact-us/>.*

Further Questions? *Contact Tonya Stevenson at (808) 203-6748 or tonya@augustinefoundation.org.*