



PROVIDENCE CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

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Providence Vulnerable Child Education Plan

Tuition assistance is dependent upon some key factors: 1) Family income; 2) Household expenses and budget; 3) TADS – Objective third-party recommendation; 4) Number of students enrolled; 5) Maximum established tuition assistance award limits established by Board of Directors; 6) Academic, spiritual, and behavioral match for mission; 7) Family willingness to build a support team; 8) Available tuition assistance funds; 9) Order and priority of financial aid application; 10) On-time tuition payment history; 11) Other unforeseen factors in school or family situation.

Parents requesting tuition assistance must apply through our third-party financial screening partner *TADS*. Their link is located on the top right of our Admissions page. Families demonstrating a financial need are awarded assistance on a *case-by-case basis as the budget allows*.

Tuition Deferment Plan – Parents who have, through the TADS third party objective screening, demonstrated an inability to pay the full monthly payment, at the discretion of the school, may be given the option to choose to defer a portion of their tuition until a lump sum payment is possible at tax return time. If for any reason your children are withdrawn during the school year, the lump sum due would be prorated for the number of months enrolled. For example, if you withdraw your children at the midpoint of the school year, 50% of the lump sum remains due at tax time. Ask us about this option.

Early Withdrawal - Students are considered enrolled for the *entire school year*; therefore, budgets and teacher salaries are set accordingly. The early withdrawal of a student creates a budget deficit hardship that the school may not be able to fill with donations or a viable candidate. Tuition assistance is forfeited for early withdrawal, and any assistance applied to the account will be factored into any final invoice for the quarter of withdrawal. PCA has set an early withdrawal fee of \$500.00 in addition to tuition in full due for each quarter attended--even if not completed. A family withdrawing a student in the third quarter, for instance, would be invoiced for 3/4 of the full tuition plus an early withdrawal fee minus any payments already made.

Official academic records cannot be released or sent to other schools if an outstanding balance remains at PCA.

First Priority Assistance Criteria

- ❖ **Loss of one or both parents** – includes children of a parent lost or disabled in military service, children of firefighters or police officers lost or disabled in the line of duty, children with grandparents as guardians, children experiencing abandonment, or other similar situations.
- ❖ **Adoptive Family** – children in pre-adoptive or post-adoptive families, along with any biological children
- ❖ **Foster Family** – children in foster families, along with any biological children
- ❖ **Homelessness** – children in families that are transitioning in or out of homelessness

Second Priority Assistance Criteria

- ❖ **Mentor Family** – a family with an interest in serving the vulnerable at *Providence Christian Academy* through volunteer efforts
- ❖ **Tutorial Educational Need** – child behind in grade level who can benefit from tutorial approach
- ❖ **Disruptive Family Situation** – divorce or other family crisis
- ❖ **Poverty** – a family experiencing financial hardship comparable to USA Federal Poverty Guideline incomes

The school awards Second Priority tuition assistance only after First Priority financial needs are met, and, although the school strives to make private Christian schooling accessible, there is no assurance of available tuition assistance funds.