

2026-2027

Financial Aid Guidelines



CENTRAL MINNESOTA
CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

The mission of Central Minnesota Christian School is to provide a Christ-centered, quality education to equip students for a life of service. We want to Bridge the Gap for families who want to invest in Christian education for their children.

FACTS is a financial tool that has given us greater transparency and provided more helpful accountability. Our desire is to steward financial aid for our families with the greatest needs.

Our guiding principles are:

1. Prayerful discernment in decision making
2. Begin financial assessment with the FACTS financial tool
3. Seek family "fit", mission/vision alignment (home/church/school)
4. Bridge the gap of Christian education to families
5. Align school's resources effectively for student success

Process

- Apply in FACTS Financial Portal using your 2024 taxes and complete all questions that help determine financial need (*there is a \$45 fee to apply)
- FACTS verifies information
- Award is emailed to family

Included in tuition

Busing
Technology
Athletic activities
Fine Art activities

Important Dates

- Jan 30- March 31 Financial Aid Applications open to current families
- Financial aid applications from current families submitted after March 31 or without all the necessary documentation by March 31 will not be considered for financial aid

Apply for Financial Aid at centralbluejays.org/aid

2026-2027 Tuition

Your Tuition Investment	Grades K-5 \$8,065	Grades 6-8 \$9,327	Grades 9-12 \$9,878
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FINANCIAL AID DISTRIBUTION

2025-2026

\$344,777 in aid awarded

Families Receiving Financial Aid

24%



BETTER TOGETHER

The total revenue generated by these fundraising initiatives provides over \$1.3M in funding for our students, including financial aid distribution. The funds raised help bridge the gap between the cost of education and tuition collected.

Fundraising Events & Funds

Annual Fund

Church Offerings

Freedom Fun Run and Freedom Days

New to You

CMCS Foundation

Harvest Festival

Legacy Dinner

FINANCIAL AID ALLOWANCES

The financial aid process is streamlined for those who apply. Below you will find the financial variables considered in our FACTS system.

Financial aid is awarded based on need, and may cover up to 65% of tuition cost.

Allowances

Housing	28%
Car	\$6,600 a year
Daycare	\$10,000 annual amount
Child support & alimony	25% of income
Health care premium	\$13,200
Medical (not covered)	10% of income

Discretionary expenses not included

Home equity expense
Charitable contributions
College tuition
Elder care
Payment on 2nd home
Credit card payments
Students loans
Other loan debt

Other considerations

An automatic 7.5% of income is calculated for:

- Utilities
- Groceries
- Clothing
- Other expenses



CENTRAL MINNESOTA
CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

100%

COMMITMENT TO OUR MISSION
AND VISION

100%

COMMITTED TO OUR VALUES