



Tailored Tuition Agreement and Request

(Please keep a copy for your records.)

Parent Name(s): _____

Child Name(s): _____

- This is a first time application with GCS
- We have received aid from GCS in the past year(s) _____

Thank you for your interest in Tailored Tuition at Grace Christian School. We recognize there are times when financial constraints or circumstances make it impossible for a family to afford Christian education and thus, some families need assistance in order to attend Grace. You are invited to initiate the process by first filling out this three-page Tailored Tuition Agreement and Request.

After this signed agreement is turned into Julie Boerger, Business Manager, please do the following:

1. Login to your RenWeb/ParentsWeb account.
2. Click on the FACTS tab.
3. Choose "Apply for Grand & Aid".
4. Choose "Create an Account" and complete the online application. Even returning families must "Create an Account" unless they applied for Tailored Tuition after our software system integration in August 2017.

Tailored Tuition decisions are made based on the applicant's demonstrated need. The GCS School Board has established a "Fifteen Percent Tuition Guideline" under which most families are eligible for tuition assistance to the extent that the total tuition due exceeds fifteen percent of the family's income. Generally, awards are not more than 50% of tuition due. Extenuating circumstances are always considered. (To illustrate: if a family's annual income is \$60,000, fifteen percent of that is \$9,000. If the family's total annual tuition obligation is \$12,000 - under the guideline that family could receive tuition assistance in the amount of \$3,000.) This guideline is not fixed. While many Tailored Tuition applicants will be granted assistance based on this guideline, some families will present circumstances which support more or less tuition assistance, depending on the need demonstrated by the application. It is important that your application include all information that you think will be relevant to the committee in making its decision.

Thank you for taking the time required to fill out this Agreement/Request and then secondly, the online Application both accurately and completely. We value your commitment to educating your children at Grace Christian School.

Tailored Tuition APPLICATION DEADLINES:

- * Existing school families – April 15, 2018
- * New families – JUNE 30, 2018, or two weeks after admission to GCS, whichever date is later.

For office use
DATE RECEIVED:

I/we request tuition assistance for our child(ren) to attend Grace Christian School during the 2018-19 school year. I/we understand and agree to the following Tailored Tuition Policy:

1. The "Fifteen Percent Tuition Guideline" established by the GCS School Board is a guideline, not a guarantee. While many applicants will be granted tuition assistance based on this guideline, some families will be granted more or less aid than indicated by the guideline. This decision will be based on the need demonstrated by the application.
2. Tuition assistance applicants must pay any outstanding tuition balance in full in order for an application to be considered. Family tuition payment history will be reviewed.
3. Tuition assistance is awarded on a monthly basis. It does not accrue and is not retroactive for tuition due prior to the award date. Tuition due prior to the award date is the responsibility of the applicant. If a student withdraws or is expelled from school, all unused tuition assistance will be retained by the Tuition Assistance Fund.
4. Tailored Tuition is not automatically renewable; families must reapply each school year.
5. Applications received by the deadline will be treated equally. Late applications may be accepted, but priority will be given to timely applications.
6. In most cases of shared custody, income and assets of both custodial parents will be considered. If a custodial parent has re-married, income and assets of stepparents will be included.

If a parent is divorced, please answer the following:

Name of former spouse: _____

City, State of Residence _____

Former spouse is the parent of the following student(s): _____

Please explain the role that the former spouse will take in the payment of tuition: _____

Please confirm your understanding of the following statements with your initials.

_____ 7. Applications must be truthful and complete. Inaccurate or incomplete information in the Tailored Tuition Application is grounds for denial of tuition assistance.

_____ 8. Families receiving Tailored Tuition must be enrolled in FACTS and keep current with monthly tuition payments, or the tuition assistance award may be withdrawn for the remainder of the school year.

_____ 9. Students receiving tuition assistance are expected to behave consistent with the student handbook, both in and out of school. Behavior/attitude problems that result in school

discipline may lead to withdrawal of the tuition assistance award for the remainder of the school year.

_____ 10. Students receiving Tailored Tuition are required to maintain a minimum grade point average of 2.5, and receive no failing grades. Students are also required to attend school regularly. Grades and attendance will be reviewed during the school year and families will be notified of students who are not in compliance.

_____ 11. Tuition assistance awards are based on current information. If there is a material change in your family's financial status during the school year, a status update must be submitted.

_____ 12. A complete application includes (1) this 3-page Tailored Tuition Agreement and Request and (2) the online, FACTS application which will require a copy of my 2017 tax return, W-2s and all requested attachments.

_____ 13. Grace Christian School expects that families will not share their tuition assistance information with other families. Awards may be withdrawn due to breach of this confidentiality.

Father's signature

Father's printed name

Date

Mother's signature

Mother's printed name

Date