



An Extraordinary Education Within Reach

A Guide to Financial Assistance at The Hamlin School



Access & Affordability at Hamlin

At Hamlin, we believe diversity in all its forms is the cornerstone of excellence. Our goal is to foster a school culture and community where families from all backgrounds can be their fully authentic selves and feel a true sense of belonging. Every child benefits when surrounded by a vibrant community that reflects a rich tapestry of perspectives and experiences.

A defining point of pride is our **need-blind admissions process**—a hallmark of our commitment to accessibility. **Students are admitted based on their merit and potential, without regard for a family's financial capacity.** To sustain this socio-economic diversity, Hamlin provides financial assistance awards—ranging from \$1,500 to \$49,000—which are applied toward tuition, extended day, summer programs, and other educational support. Today, 22% of our families receive financial assistance from the school.

We recognize that independent school tuition can feel daunting. At Hamlin, our priority is ensuring that every family feels fully integrated into our school culture. We celebrate a community drawn from many walks of life, where every student and parent/guardian feels equally at home at Hamlin.

Tuition for the 2026–27 school year is \$49,580, inclusive of lunch, daily snacks, books, school-issued technology, field trips, morning care, and outdoor education programs.

How Financial Assistance is Determined

We understand that every family's journey is unique, and financial assistance is about much more than a single income figure. Families of all income levels may navigate significant financial obligations, and we are committed to looking at the full picture.

Our determination process uses a thoughtful formula to assess your family's overall financial profile, taking into account several key factors:

- Household income
- Assets (such as savings, investments, retirement funds, and home equity)
- Number of children attending tuition-charging schools
- Elder and/or other dependent care
- Expenses and financial liabilities

Our financial assistance application provides space to share additional context regarding your family's situation. Whether you are managing variable income, supporting extended family, or navigating other unique financial circumstances, this section allows us to look beyond the numbers. The more we understand, the better we can support your family.

Range of Eligibility for Financial Assistance

Families of varying financial means qualify for assistance at Hamlin. The snapshot below shows a range of household incomes to demonstrate that financial assistance is accessible to families across a variety of income levels. It's important to note that our financial assistance awards are granted nearly evenly across each of the income ranges below, with 54% of awards granted to families making over \$200,000.

Family Income Range	Average Tuition Paid
0-\$125,000	\$2,100
\$125,000-\$200,000	\$7,000
\$200,000-\$300,000	\$15,500
\$300,000+	\$25,580

The next best step is to apply!

We know that families often hesitate to apply, assuming they might not qualify. Please don't let that assumption stand in the way of a potential Hamlin education. If you are curious about financial assistance, we encourage you to take that first step. We review every application with genuine care and complete confidentiality.

As a need-blind institution, your decision to apply for financial assistance is entirely separate from the admissions process and has no bearing on admissions decisions. We invite you to explore the possibilities with us!



For additional information and FAQs, please visit hamlin.org or feel free to reach out directly with any questions you may have.

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Financial Assistance Deadlines

Applying for financial assistance at Hamlin is a straightforward, secure process. To begin, please create a Clarity account at clarityschools.com, where you will manage and upload all your application materials.

Completion of a Clarity application will trigger a request to the IRS for your 2025 tax returns. After submission, Clarity will prompt your family to submit additional documents if applicable, including family financial statements and business tax returns.

**For families with separate households, a separate financial assistance application is required for each household.*

***Clarity is used by more than 1,400 K-12 schools and organizations across the country to help assess a family's ability to pay for independent education and to help families feel confident that their request for financial assistance is being treated objectively and professionally.*

Year-Round Support

We understand that financial circumstances can shift. Any currently enrolled family experiencing unexpected changes is encouraged to reach out to Yvette Bonaparte, Director of Admission & Financial Assistance, for guidance and information.

Current Families

- December 15, 2026: Complete and submit your financial aid application via Clarity
- Late January, 2027: Financial assistance grant notifications will be sent with re-enrollment contracts

Applicant Families

- February 1, 2027: Complete and submit your financial aid application via Clarity
- March 11, 2027: Financial assistance grant notifications will be sent with admission decisions



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