



## **Co-Curricular Department Financial Aid Policy**

If you believe you may qualify for financial aid, please read the full Financial Aid Policy below and follow the steps **BEFORE** you complete registration for Athenaeum or Homework Club. Please note that financial aid for Athenaeum and Homework Club must be applied manually by the Co-Curricular Billing Specialist. If you do not see a financial aid discount applied to your cart prior to checkout, do not process payment and <u>contact the Billing Specialist before proceeding</u>.

Financial aid for Athenaeum and Homework Club is given based on the Free and Reduced Lunch application that must be completed for every academic year. The application <u>can be found</u> at lingconnect.com.

**For returning families:** Your financial aid award status from the previous school year will remain active through the September 1<sup>st</sup> billing cycle. To ensure your Free or Reduced status continues for the 24-25 school year, you must submit your application and submit your status update certification letter to the Co-Curricular Billing Specialist. You must submit your award certification letter to <u>Programs.Billing@greatheartstxschools.org</u> NO LATER than September 15, 2024 to update your account. Accounts will then be marked with the new financial aid status for the upcoming billing cycle.

Any family who does not complete the application and forward the certification letter for the 24-25 school year by September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024 will be charged full tuition beginning October 1<sup>st</sup>. Refunds will not be given for applications submitted after September 15<sup>th</sup>.

**For new families:** Once the Free and Reduced Lunch application has been submitted, families intending to enroll their student(s) in Athenaeum or Homework Club need to create an account on Configio then email your certification letter to the Billing Specialist to communicate your request for financial aid. The Billing Specialist will verify the discount level and mark your account accordingly. You will then be notified that you can register at your convenience and your financial aid discount will automatically apply to your cart.

The Free and Reduced Lunch application for the 2024-25 school year will be available **after July 15<sup>th</sup>**. Families seeking financial aid may wait until the application becomes available to apply and subsequently register for Athenaeum or Homework Club. Refunds will not be given to families who register for Athenaeum/ Homework Club prior to applying and qualifying for financial aid.

For direct certification families: If you receive direct certification for the Free and Reduced Lunch program and are not required to submit an application, you must forward the email you receive confirming your award determination to <a href="mailto:Programs.Billing@greatheartstxschools.org">Programs.Billing@greatheartstxschools.org</a> NO LATER than September 15, 2024 for the discount to apply to your Athenaeum/Homework Club account.





**For mid-year changes:** If you apply for a mid-year financial aid status change, you are responsible to notify the Co-Curricular Billing Specialist of the change and submit the certification letter in order for it to be applied to your account for future recurring billing. Contact: <u>Programs.Billing@greatheartstxschools.org</u>

Families who qualify for Free Lunch will receive a 75% discount off Athenaeum/Homework Club tuition. Families who qualify for Reduced Lunch will receive a 50% discount off Athenaeum/Homework Club tuition.