



## Affording A Christian Education

In Deuteronomy 6, God holds parents accountable for the education of their children. We at Whitehall Christian School believe our school can be a valuable partner with your family in guiding our students to become Christ-like, servant leaders who will make a difference in the world. Our school looks to establish a culture of educational partnership with each and every parent. The school offers the very best in quality Christian education in partnership with serious, committed families who want to invest in a program toward the earthly and heavenly outcomes it is designed to produce for their children. In other words, we wish to maximize a parent's return on investment.

To be a school of quality, one that offers a quality curriculum taught by highly qualified instructors in a equipped with quality tools and resources, it requires an investment of money. Quality requires investment to achieve a desired outcome. An investment in Christian education comes from a variety of sources. Some funding comes from tuition paid by parents. Some funding comes from donors who wish to support the vision and mission of Christian education. Finally, some money comes from outside sources such as grants and scholarships. There are elements of truth in the saying 'You get what you pay for'. There is not much in life that is both free and is of quality.

"It is our goal that no child is denied a Christian education because of finances."

We believe that an educational fit is the most important objective in creating a partnership for success. We understand that a quality Christian education is funded by a tuition investment but realize that every family may not be able to afford the full cost of tuition. At Whitehall Christian School we desire to partner with our families to find a way to help them afford a Christian education.

[Read this comprehensive guide to learn more about affording a Christian education.](#)

**New Students:** We value bringing in new students and new families at our school. Our school uses a system of continuous enrollment or 'Once Enrolled, Always Enrolled' as we desire to make it as easy as possible for families to maintain their enrollment. It is expected that our enrollment will grow each year and this system helps families be able to plan and budget their tuition payments. Depending on the timing of your application, your tuition fee schedule will reflect an 11-month payment plan which includes all fees rolled into a single lower monthly payment. IF you need a financial gift to support your family's desire for Christian education, please read the application and deadline information below.

**Re-Enrollment/Retention of Enrolled Students:** Every year at the beginning of March, we request a non-refundable 'Hold Your Seat' fee to assure a space is reserved for your non-graduating student at our school for the next school year. IF paid by the early re-enrollment deadline, the 'Hold Your Seat' fee is credited to your 1<sup>st</sup> month's tuition payment which is collected in July.

For every month the 'Hold Your Seat' fee deadline passes, an escalating fee of \$25/month is applied in addition to the 'Hold Your Seat' fee. ***Only the 'Hold Your Seat' fee is rebated, the \$25/month fee is not.***



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For families seeking a needs-based financial gift to support your family's desire for Christian education, please read the application and deadline information below.

**Tuition Information:** The tuition amount for attending Whitehall Christian School depends on many factors, of which student enrollment and teacher salaries are just a few. It is determined by our financial committee each year and could change from year to year. If you need specific information regarding our current tuition rate, then please call our office at (610) 799-2341.

The tuition includes all registration fees (student insurance, consumable textbooks, art supplies, consumable classroom supplies, lab materials, science supplies, and paper) and tuition for an entire school year. Inclusive tuition fees are usually billed in 11-month installments beginning in July, less the 'Hold Your Seat' fee for the first month's tuition.

**Single Yearly Payment:** You may choose to pay the entire tuition in a single payment, due July 1<sup>st</sup>, less the 'Hold Your Seat' fee

**OR**

**Two Yearly Payment:** You may choose to pay half your tuition on July 1<sup>st</sup> and the second half of your tuition January 1<sup>st</sup>.

**OR**

**11-month Payments from July to May:** You may choose to pay in 11 monthly installments. Payments are due the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month. The 1<sup>st</sup> payment is due **July 1<sup>st</sup>**, less the \$150.00 'Hold Your Seat' fee.

### Financial Gifts/Scholarships Process and Deadlines for 2026-2027

We are honored that you have chosen our school to partner with you in providing an outstanding Christian education for your children this coming school year! We will work hard to assure a successful and positive year for your family.

We place a high value on providing a quality Christian education for our students. The actual cost to educate a single student exceeds what we charge in tuition. Because of the financial support of our donors and our church along with our fundraising efforts, we are pleased that we can keep tuition rates very affordable. We are happy to be able to offer some financial gifts to families who truly desire for their children to attend our school but cannot afford the entire cost of tuition. We expect families to strongly invest in making Christian education a family priority. This includes living a simplified lifestyle, purchasing only needed items and sometimes selling personal assets. We are diligent to work with anyone who has a desire to attend our school by developing a solid and reasonable financial plan.

Financial aid grants are awarded based on the financial need of a family and the funds available. To determine your family's eligibility, you must complete an online application for financial aid. All requests for students in grades K-8 will be processed by our confidential and objective tuition management system.



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Description	Who is Eligible	How much to expect	How to apply
<p><b>Worthy Student Fund</b></p> <p>Priority Deadline: <b>February 20</b> General Deadline: April 15.</p> <p><b>Applications received after February 15 will be funded as money is available.</b></p>	<p>Awarded based on financial need for applicants in grades PreK – 8.</p>	<p>Varies, this is a limited fund</p>	<p>Financial Aid Application forms are available at the school office or online on the school's website.</p>
<p><b>Church Financial Assistance Funds</b></p> <p>Apply now at your church</p>	<p>Awarded to constituent church members with student in K-8 based on financial need.</p> <p>Families belonging to other churches are encouraged to approach their pastors regarding financial assistance.</p>	<p>Varies, this is a limited fund.</p>	<p>Check with your pastor or church treasurer for the process</p>
<p><b>PA Conference 3-way Scholarship</b></p> <p><b>Deadline: May be applied for any time during the school year, but preferred date is February 15 to allow us to incorporate this funding into a financial plan.</b></p>	<p>Students in grades K-8 who are members of the Conference church district</p>	<p>This Scholarship is available to two (2) students whose families are members of constituent churches</p>	<p>Financial Aid Application forms are available at the school office or online on the school's website.</p>



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<p><b>Opportunity Scholarships (EITC/OITC)</b></p>	<p>Students in grades K-8</p>	<p>Varies and is dependent on the requirements of the state program.</p>	<p>Financial Aid Application forms are available at the school office or online on the school's website.</p>
<p><b>Pre-Pay Bonus</b> Deadlines: August 1<sup>st</sup> for a single payment August 1 and January 15 for two payments</p>	<p>Students in grades PK-8</p>	<p>A 5% bonus for full prepay by August 1 or a 3% bonus for prepayment at the beginning of each semester.</p>	<p>Contact the school treasurer to make arrangements.</p>
<p><b>529 Educational Savings Accounts (Tax Free way to pay for tuition)</b>  Deadline: Contribute by April 15</p>	<p>Students in grades K-8</p>	<p>PA 529 accounts offer tax-advantaged savings that can be used to pay for a wide variety of education expenses at any qualified educational institution, from K-12 to college to career training programs.</p>	<p>Information can be found on the following PA State Website:  <a href="https://www.pa529.com/">https://www.pa529.com/</a></p>
<p><b>Partnering for Eternity (PFE)</b>  <b>Elementary service scholarship (assisting elderly clients in homes)</b>  Deadline: May 1</p>	<p>Students in grades K-8. (PFE scholarships are limited and acceptance is based on need and student's ability to work with senior citizens).</p>	<p>Students accrue funds per home visit with a mentor up to \$125 per month in tuition credit. Weekly visits are required.</p>	<p>Complete PFE application at school office.  See information on the PFE program <a href="#">here</a>.</p>