



Tuition Assistance Overview

Summit Christian Academy (SCA) offers need-based tuition assistance to eligible families, covering up to 50% of tuition costs. Tuition Assistance is available for families who do not qualify for the Texas Education Freedom Account (TEFA). Applications are evaluated by an independent third party, FACTS Management System, Inc.

Key Dates

- Application Opens: March 1, 2026 (Returning Students)
- Application Deadline: March 20, 2026 (Returning Students)
- New student applications are accepted through July.

Eligibility Requirements

To be considered for Tuition Assistance, families must:

- Apply for TEFA (Texas Education Freedom Account) first
- Submit student applications or re-enrollment documents annually
- Remain current on tuition and fees if already enrolled
- Complete the online FACTS Tuition Assistance application by the published deadline
- Pay the application fee (per family) at the time the online application is submitted
- Reapply for Tuition Assistance each year (awards do not automatically renew)
- Upload all required financial documents (such as current tax returns and W-2 statements) directly to FACTS

Incomplete applications missing required documents may be deemed ineligible.

Evaluation Criteria

Summit Christian Academy's Financial Committee reviews Tuition Assistance applications based on several factors, including TEFA eligibility. **Families who receive TEFA are not eligible for SCA Tuition Assistance.**

For families who are not receiving TEFA, applications are evaluated using the following criteria:

- Available funding in the Tuition Assistance budget
- The family's commitment to Christian education
- The recommendation provided by FACTS
- Household income, based on tax returns and other required financial documents
- Assets and qualified expenses, calculated using the FACTS evaluation formula



Notification and Acceptance

- Current families are given first priority and will be notified of award decisions by May 1st of the current school year. Any remaining funds will then be offered to new families.
- Acceptance deadlines will be included in the award notification. Families must acknowledge and return the award acceptance to the Business Office before assistance can be applied to tuition.

Additional Requirements

- Families who receive Tuition Assistance must complete the volunteer service hours outlined in their award letter. Failure to complete these hours may result in ineligibility for Tuition Assistance the following school year.
- Tuition Assistance is not available for Pre-Kindergarten students.
- To remain eligible, families must meet all deadlines and submit complete applications with all required documentation.