

WESTMINSTER CHRISTIAN ACADEMY OPELOUSAS

Financial Aid Information for 2025-2026 Academic Year

The objective of the Westminster Christian Academy Financial Aid program is to assist families who have a demonstrated financial need and are unable to afford the full cost of tuition. Applicants may apply for financial aid by visiting Grant & Aid Opelousas.

Which grades are eligible?

The program is available for students in K5 through 12th grade.

Is there a fee to apply?

Yes, FACTS charges a non-refundable application fee of \$40 upon submission.

When does the application open?

Applications open the <u>1st week of January</u>. For new families, an application for admission must be submitted prior to applying for WCA Financial Aid.

Is my login to FACTS Grant & Aid the same as my FACTS Family Portal login?

No, you will need to create a separate login for Grant & Aid.

Who do I contact if I have issues with the application or questions related to the documents being requested?

Please contact FACTS Customer Care at 866-441-4637.

When is the deadline?

There is no deadline. WCA accepts applications until funds are exhausted.

Who do I contact if I have questions related to the WCA Financial Aid process and awarding? Please contact Shandi Tyler in the WCA Business Office at 337-948-8607 or styler@wcala.org.

How long does it take for FACTS to review my application and send it to WCA? It typically takes FACTS two weeks to verify an application once all documents are uploaded. It is important to note that once you submit your application, FACTS will email you with a list of requested documents. Once verified, FACTS will notify WCA that your application is ready for review.

When and how will I be notified if I have been awarded financial aid?

Financial Assistance is offered in the form of annual grants, which are determined by the Financial Aid Committee after an evaluation of the applicant's financial need. Notification of financial aid (if any) will be sent through FACTS Grant & Aid. Applications are reviewed in rounds and awarded by the end of each month beginning in the month of **February**.

What documents will be required to be provided to apply for Financial Aid?

Required documents will depend on your individual financial situation, but typical requested documents include: Federal Income Tax Return, W-2 or Federal Form 1040 if self-employed, Supporting documentation for household non-taxable income such as child support, etc.

Do I need to have my previous year tax return completed in order to finish my application?

No, WCA accepts either a previous year tax return or the year prior. For example, if you are applying in February 2025, WCA accepts either a 2023 or 2024 tax return, along with the most current W-2 for 2024.

The mission of Westminster Christian Academy is to assist parents in educating their children by imparting God's truth to transform society in present and future generations.