

Tuition Support Policy

Tuition Support at Bixby can be divided into three categories: need based financial aid, tuition remission, and merit awards/scholarships. This section of the policy addresses need based financial aid (see separate policy sections on tuition remission for employees and merit scholarships for more information on those areas).

The budget pool for need based financial aid is established annually; proposed by the HoS to the Board and confirmed by the Board as part of its annual budget approval process. The Board should approve any recommendation for the prioritization of funds for need based financial aid vs any new merit awards or scholarships.

Whatever funds are available for need based financial aid will be distributed by the Financial Aid Committee. This process involves each family submitting the required financial aid application through FACTS and providing all required information to the Committee in the time frame required.

The Financial Aid Committee will allocate the funds available each year to families based on its new assessment of the information provided by FACTS, and generally with the following 2 priorities in mind:

1. Prioritizing returning families, including siblings of returning families, if returning families demonstrate new or continuing need via an updated FACTS application
2. Prioritizing new families demonstrating the greatest financial need, as evidenced by their FACTS application

Bixby School will continually evaluate ways to encourage families who might benefit from financial aid to find, understand, and complete the financial aid process, so that those with the greatest financial need can be identified and prioritized.