

# Financial Aid Applications

## Information for Families Applying for Aid for the 2012-2013 School Year

Thank you for your interest in Trinity Lutheran School for the 2012-2013 school year. To be eligible for consideration for financial aid, you must complete your Parents' Financial Statement (PFS) by April 25, 2012. We will communicate decisions about financial aid on May 8, 2012.

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We use School and Student Services (SSS) to process financial aid applications. Based on the financial information you provide in the Parents' Financial Statement, SSS gives us an estimated amount your family can contribute to educational expenses. This estimate is a *starting point* to help us make fair and objective financial aid decisions. To begin your financial aid application for the 2012-2013 school year, please follow these steps below. (You only have to complete one Parents' Financial Statement, even if you have several children applying.)

### TO COMPLETE THE PARENTS' FINANCIAL STATEMENT (PFS) ONLINE

1. Go to [sss.nais.org/parents](http://sss.nais.org/parents).
2. Click on the "Apply Now" button.
3. You will set up a PFS Online account using your e-mail address and a password. *Returning parents: If you completed an online PFS application last year, use your e-mail address and existing password. If you have forgotten your password, click on "Forgot my password."*
4. Submit and pay for the PFS (\$37). This fee is nonrefundable.



**Why apply online?** Your information will be delivered to us more quickly and accurately, allowing us to make a faster financial aid decision.

### YOU NEED TO COMPLETE THIS PFS IF YOU ARE APPLYING FOR FINANCIAL AID THROUGH TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH.

### ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS WE REQUIRE

Our school requires that you submit to SSS online the following documents in addition to your completed Parents' Financial Statement: your 2011 W-2 forms as well as your completed 1040 Federal Tax return. We must receive these documents along with your completed on-line application.

- **To submit these documents online**, go to the Manage Documents tab in the PFS Online. There you can upload documents from your computer. Save each document separately in Adobe Acrobat pdf or as a .jpg file. Each document must not exceed a size of 500 kilobytes. On the Manage Documents page, click on "Browse," locate the document on your computer, then click on "Upload."

**Call SSS Customer Service at (800) 344-8328 with any questions (M-F: 9am-8pm EST. Sat: 9am-4pm EST)**