



FAQ

Early Access Pre-K 4 Scholarships

Children's Scholarship Fund Philadelphia (CSFP) will offer 100 new scholarships to children entering Pre-K 4 in fall 2019. These scholarships will be selected by random lottery, are separate from CSFP's regular scholarship program, and may only be utilized for full day, Pre-K 4 programs at select CSFP partner schools.

Who is eligible for the scholarships?

Families residing in Philadelphia with children entering Pre-K 4 in the fall of 2019-20 may apply if financially eligible. Click to see if you meet CSFP's income requirements: <https://www.csphiladelphia.org/scholarships/how-to-apply/>

At which schools may CSFP Early Access Pre-K 4 scholarships be used?

Unlike K-8 CSFP scholarships, these special Pre-K 4 scholarships may only be used at these Catholic schools:

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| Blessed Trinity Catholic School | Resurrection Regional School | St. Malachy School |
| Christ the King School | St. Athanasius School | St. Martin De Porres School |
| DePaul Catholic School | St. Barnabas School | St. Martin of Tours School |
| Gesu Catholic School | St. Cecilia School | St. Matthew School |
| Holy Innocents School | St. Cyril of Alexandria School | St. Peter the Apostle School |
| Maternity BVM School | St. Frances Cabrini School | St. Raymond School |
| Mother of Divine Grace School | St. Francis de Sales School | St. Rose of Lima School |
| OMS/St. Ignatius School | St. Gabriel School | St. Thomas Aquinas School |
| Our Lady of Calvary School | St. Helena-Incarnation School | Visitation BVM School |
| Our Lady of Hope School | St. Jerome School | Waldron Mercy Academy |
| Our Lady of Port Richmond School | St. Katherine of Siena School | |
| Our Mother of Consolation School | St. Laurentius School | |

Why are CSFP Pre-K 4 scholarships limited to these 34 schools?

CSFP's limited Pre-K scholarships are generously funded by the Maguire Foundation, which partners with select Catholic schools throughout the greater Philadelphia area. For the 2019-20 school year, CSFP Pre-K 4 scholarships may be utilized only at the designated schools listed above.

How much of a scholarship will I receive?

CSFP provides partial scholarships based on income, family size, and your school's tuition. No child will receive more than \$2900 towards tuition for any reason. To estimate the scholarship amount you may be eligible for, visit <https://www.csphiladelphia.org/resources/school-selection/scholarship-estimation-calculator/>.

How do families apply?

To apply, please submit Pre-K lottery applications online here: <https://www.csphiladelphia.org/scholarships/prek-4-scholarship-opportunity-for-2019-2020-school-year/>. This special lottery application period opens on March 20, 2019 and concludes on April 12, 2019.

What information will I be required to provide?

If selected in CSFP's Pre-K 4 scholarship random lottery, you will need to provide the following:

- Proof of income for all adults – CSFP accepts Federal 1040 Tax returns and statements from the Dept of Public Welfare. CSFP does not accept W2s, paystubs, PA tax returns, or handwritten federal tax returns.
- Proof of address for all adults - please submit a lease/mortgage or utility bill at your Philadelphia address
- Proof of guardianship - required for all children in the household, including those not receiving a scholarship

How long does a CSFP Early Access Pre-K 4 scholarship last?

Our award opportunity is for 4 consecutive years, provided eligibility requirements continue to be met, including:

1. No money is owed to the school for a previous year's tuition.
2. You are financially eligible according to CSFP income requirements.
3. You must continue to reside in Philadelphia.
4. You submit your renewal registration and documentation by the stated deadline.
5. Your child must meet CSFP's 90% attendance requirement. This requirement exists so that students experience the full benefit of their quality education.

Have other questions about the CSFP application process?

Please contact us by email at paperwork@csfphiladelphia.org or at 215-670-8411.