



Jarrow Montessori School  
NURTURING THE HUMAN SPIRIT  
TODDLER THROUGH 6TH GRADE IN BOULDER, CO | FOUNDED 1964

## Financial Aid Information School Year 2019-2020

Dear Parent or Guardian:

Jarrow Montessori uses an online financial aid application process through the School and Student Services (SSS) website which is administered by NAIS (National Association of Independent Schools). To be eligible for Financial Aid, you must complete the SSS Parents' Financial Statement for the Academic Year 2018-19. To access this site, please visit <http://sssbynais.org>. Click on the "Complete Your Parents Financial Statement (PFS)" link located under SSS by NAIS for Families on the right-hand side of the page. You'll need Jarrow's school's code, which is 4167. There is an application fee of \$49.00 payable by credit card (you MAY qualify for a fee waiver based on need, this is determined online as you submit your application).

Your most recently completed tax return must be uploaded to SSS as an attachment to your online application, along with W2 forms for the most recently completed calendar year.

In addition, a letter detailing your personal statement (reasons for considering your student for financial aid) must be emailed, or mailed to the Principal, and received in the Jarrow offices within 2 business days of the financial aid application deadline. The personal statement is considered a **significant** aspect of every application. Please use this to address your need for Financial Aid and to describe any unusual or extenuating circumstances that you would like Jarrow to consider in our decision process.

Every Financial Aid applicant must be fully completed with all supporting documentation, by in order for the Financial Aid Committee to fairly evaluate each application. Both parents or other financially responsible parties, regardless of marital status and divorce decrees, must submit their information. **Failure to submit complete information will disqualify your application from consideration.**

All information submitted for Financial Aid is held in the strictest confidence.

If you have any questions regarding financial aid or the awards process, you may directly contact me, Debbie Senoff-Langford, Principal, or Gavin Green, Director of Admissions.

Sincerely,

Marlena Carlson  
Director of Finance

## **Award Process:**

The information that Jarrow receives is reviewed in confidence by the Financial Aid Evaluation Committee. Each application is ranked according to demonstrated financial need. Additionally, the following factors are considered and weighed: Tenure (at Jarrow,) school involvement/volunteerism, and any extraordinary or unusual factors (either financial or personal, i.e. serious illness in family, etc.).

The Finance Committee will then review, make recommendations, and finalize approval of awards. (note that all information is presented anonymously to the committee). Award levels are determined by the number of applicants and the size of our award pool (which is based on next year's projected enrollment). Awards have typically ranged from 10% to 70% of tuition based on family need.

## **Enrollment, Dates, and Deposit requirements:**

<b>Financial Aid Application Deadline:</b>	<b>February 4 2019</b>
<b>Notification of Award:</b>	<b>February 18, 2019</b>
<b>Enrollment Contract Issued:</b>	<b>February 18, 2019</b>
<b>Award Acceptance Deadline:</b>	<b>March 1, 2019</b>
<b>Completed Enrollment Contract And Deposit due:</b>	<b>March 1, 2019</b>
<b>Deposit amount:</b>	<b>\$250.00</b>

If you are awarded and accept Financial Aid, your required tuition deposit is reduced from \$1500.00 to **\$250.00**.

Your financial aid application through SSS must be received by **the enrollment contract deadline** to ensure that we reserve a spot for your student. Jarrow will notify all applicants as to whether their request for aid is approved (and the amount of aid awarded), or denied, by the **notification of award deadline** above.

You have until **the award acceptance deadline**, to inform Jarrow of your acceptance of aid, to complete your enrollment contract, and submit your deposit. If you receive no award, or an award below that of your comfortable or required level, you may withdraw from enrollment consideration.

If you receive no award, we will issue you a standard enrollment contract on the "notification of award" date. If you wish to continue with the enrollment process, please complete the enrollment contract and submit the standard deposit of \$1500.00 by the **enrollment contract deadline**.

Please feel free to contact our Director of Finance, Director of Admissions or Principal if you have any questions about our process.

# **Jarrow Montessori School Financial Aid Application Checklist of Requirements**

A completed application consists of the following:

- Parents' Financial Statement (PFS) submitted via the SSS website
- Most recently completed tax return uploaded (with any and all supporting schedules)
- Current Forms W2 uploaded (for all applicable parties)
- Personal statement (mailed or emailed) to Head of School