

# **Bursary Program Policy**

## **RATIONALE**

Lakecrest-St. John's Independent School has established its Bursary Program to offer its world class educational experience to families who might not otherwise be able to avail of it. While making a Lakecrest education more accessible to more families, the Lakecrest Board of Directors must do so in the light of its financial circumstances. The total amount of money available in any given year will vary and the decision to award a bursary and the amount of a bursary is wholly within the discretion of the Lakecrest Board of Directors. The number of families requesting bursaries in a year will affect the individual amounts offered by the Board.

## CONFIDENTIALITY

The names of families receiving bursaries shall remain strictly confidential. Only the members of the Bursary Committee will know which children receive bursaries.

### **BURSARY COMMITTEE**

The Bursary Committee is appointed by the Board of Directors. It consists of the Head of School, the school's Office Manager, a current or previous member of the Board of Directors who is/was not a parent of a child attending Lakecrest-St. John's Independent School.

#### **APPLICATION PROCESS**

Families seeking a bursary must submit a Bursary Application Form. Following the receipt of the Application Form, the Head of School may schedule an interview with the parents submitting the form. This will be an opportunity for the parents to relate any considerations and factors it would like the Committee to take into consideration in reviewing the application. The Bursary Committee will review each application on an individual basis and recommend to the Board the amounts of bursaries to be offered in each year. A simple code, such as Family A, Family B, etc. shall be used in presenting the recommendations to the Board to maintain confidentiality.

Bursaries are offered for one year only and might not be offered in subsequent years. Families requesting bursaries must submit a new application for each subsequent school year. Preference is given to existing students of Lakecrest-St. John's Independent School.

Please notify the school if you have not received a written confirmation of receipt of the bursary application within one week of submission.

# **TIMELINES**

The deadline for bursary applications will be May 1, and a decision regarding the granting of a bursary will be made no later than May 31 in each calendar year. Where extraordinary circumstances warrant, the Bursary Committee may accept Bursary applications after that date. The decision of the Board of Directors shall be final.

**Lakecrest Bursary Application Form**