Tuition Waiver for Indigenous Families 2026-27

OVERVIEW

Trillium Waldorf School is happy to announce that a Tuition Waiver for Indigenous Families will open once again beginning at the start of the 2026-27 school year. This is a continued act of reconciliation which began in September 2023 when the first tuition waiver was granted.

We are compelled to continue this initiative and to practice our values: we are kind, we are safe, we are respectful, and we are responsible and to take a stand for equity, justice, and inclusion in education. This initiative is a small and important step to rectify some of the great wrongs of our nation, starting here at home, inside the walls of our great school.

Tuition Discount

- Provide a 100% tuition waiver including the annual Supply & Activity and Capital fees for one family. The waiver, once granted, will remain active for all years of continuous enrolment at Trillium Waldorf School.

Criteria for Applying

- Self-identification as Indigenous with an ability to reference connection to an Indigenous community in North America either through a status card, membership in a Nation, or other formal recognition from a Nation.
- If no documentation exists then applicants will be asked to provide familial references, and/or a First Nations, Métis, or Inuit-elected or traditional leader's reference.

Selection and Enrolment

- **Applications will be accepted until Monday, February 16, 2026, at 11:59 p.m., or until we have received 10 family applications, whichever occurs first.** Interested families are encouraged to apply at their earliest convenience.
- After all applications are received, applicants will be taken through our standard enrolment process, outlined on our application form (linked below). Applicants who have completed the steps to enrolment and have received an acceptance letter will then be entered into a lottery. **The lottery will be drawn on Thursday, May 14, 2026 and all applicants will be notified of their results by the end of the school day on Friday, May 15, 2026.**
- The Tuition Waiver for Indigenous Families process and results are held in strict confidence within Trillium Waldorf School's administration, as are all financial matters.

Good Intentions

In light of some past reports about non-Indigenous people claiming Indigenous identity in order to access financial and social benefits, TrWS reserves the right to revoke a tuition waiver if it comes to light that a family applied under false pretenses. In this case, the family would be required to repay the TrWS tuition and applicable Supply, Activity and Administration fees for all years and for all individuals for whom it was accessed.

To Apply

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- **Please submit the following forms at your earliest convenience,** keeping in mind that the offer officially closes on Monday, February 16, 2026 at 11:59pm or when we have received ten applications, whichever occurs first.
    - Student Application (one per student) *please see the discount code at the bottom of this form to waive the application fee
    - Tuition Waiver Application for Indigenous Families (one per family)

- **Please note, to be eligible for the Tuition Waiver, both the Student Application and the Tuition Waiver Application must be submitted.**

Questions?

Please direct all questions to our Enrolment Coordinator via info@trilliumwaldorfschool.com.