

## ICS PTSA Scholarship Policy

### What is the purpose of the scholarship fund?

To partially fund the cost of certain pre-selected activities for students selected on the basis of financial need.

### Which specific activities will the scholarship fund support?

The following student activities are currently on the list of pre-selected activities (other activities will be considered):

- ICS school fees paid at registration
- Fall Camp
- Focus Week activities
- Music Ensemble
- Choir
- Other school club activities

### Who is eligible to apply?

Any student currently enrolled in ICS is eligible to apply for a scholarship. Generally, a student will be eligible for only one scholarship award per academic year. The review committee will consider special circumstances and exceptions may be made.

### Who reviews scholarship applications and decides on scholarship awards?

An independent scholarship review committee comprised of two parent volunteers and a representative from the Finance Committee will process scholarship applications. A member of the Music Committee may be included in reviewing scholarship applications for Music Ensemble. Fall Camp scholarship applications may be reviewed by the Scholarship Review Committee and a representative of the ICS staff, as needed.

### How much is the scholarship award?

A minimum or maximum award may be established, if necessary in the judgement of the scholarship review committee. The different costs of the various Focus Week activities shall be given consideration when determining the amount of an award for Focus Week and may result in different amounts being awarded to each applicant. The cost of Focus Week activities requiring airfare are less likely to be awarded.

### What is the basis of determining financial need?

Family income shall be the primary guideline for determining financial need; however, the review committee will consider special circumstances.

### How is Family income determined?

Family income shall be determined based on the primary household's adjusted gross income for the previous tax year plus any qualifying additional income from a secondary household, if applicable. Primary household is defined as the household where the student lives most of the time. Secondary household is defined as a household providing additional support for the student.

### What are the Family income guidelines for qualifying for a scholarship award?

The family income guidelines are based on a King County livable wage: 200% of the federal poverty guideline figures increased by 25% and rounded to the nearest \$100. For the 2011-2012 school year, qualifying 2010 or 2011 family income levels are shown below.

Number of Individuals in Primary Household	Family Income	Number of Individuals in Primary Household	Family Income
2	\$36,800	6	\$75,000
3	\$46,300	7	\$84,500
4	\$55,900	8	\$94,100
5	\$66,800	More than 8	For families with more than 8 persons, add \$3,820 for each additional person.

### What is the application process?

Submit scholarship application on a timely basis considering due dates for payments and other planning considerations.

Scholarship Review Committee will review the application within 14 days following the application receipt date.

Applicants will then be notified of the committee's decision by email or phone.

Scholarship funds must be applied toward the eligible activity. Student shall be responsible for the balance of the cost of activity.