

Rainbow School Scholarship Application 2015-2016

We understand that the expense of preschool may be a strain on a family's budget, and helping eligible families reduce their cost through scholarships is an important part of our program. We also keep our tuition as low as possible, while striving to provide a quality preschool experience.

Most of our scholarship funds are provided by our covenant congregations (Zumbro, Mt Olive, Our Savior's, and Good Shepherd Lutheran) who care about children and believe that Rainbow School provides a strong Christian preschool experience, a great first school experience, and a place where your faith and family life can grow strong.

Our process is as follows:

1. **APPLICATION:** We provide the scholarship application to registered students. It is also available on our website (www.rainbowschool.us). Tax forms and legal custody documents must be submitted with the application to confirm eligibility.
2. **DEADLINE:** Applicants must submit their information before scholarships are awarded.
3. **NOTIFICATION:** Our scholarship committee and the Director will review all applications, and will notify all applicants of their decisions within 30 days.
4. **AGREEMENT:** Applicants who are approved for a full or partial scholarship will receive a scholarship agreement outlining the school and family expectations for tuition payment and fulfillment of school policies, at which time they may accept or reject the scholarship. The agreement must be signed and returned to Rainbow School within 7 days of scholarship notification.
5. **Our financial assistance fund is limited, and while all requests are considered, we cannot guarantee that all applicants will receive assistance.** The decisions of the scholarship committee are based on number of requests, family circumstances, and individual needs.
6. **QUESTIONS** about the process may be directed to Cat Thisius, Director at 261-0586.

Rainbow School admits students of any race, color, and national or ethnic origin.

FILL OUT THIS FORM ONLY IF YOU ARE APPLYING FOR A SCHOLARSHIP

Child's Name _____ Birth date _____
 first last month/day/year

Address _____

Phone # _____ County _____

Mother's Name _____ Father's Name _____

Who does the child live with? (CIRCLE ONE)

Mother Father Both parents Other (name & relationship) _____

Who has legal custody of the child? _____ (Attach supporting documents if there has been a legal custody decision.)

Language(s) spoken in home _____

Which class is the child enrolling in? (CIRCLE ONE) MWF am / TR am / TR pm

What do you hope your child will gain from preschool?

Describe any previous group experiences your child has had and include dates attended (i.e. child care, preschool, community education, religious education, PAIR, etc.)

Will your child be participating in any other group programs this school year?

Have there been any significant life changes or events that have affected your child recently? _____ If yes, please describe.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

This information is used solely to determine program eligibility and will remain confidential.

Mother's information:

Occupation: _____ Place of employment _____

How long have you worked there? _____ Work phone number _____

Educational level (circle highest level completed):

Elementary High School (7-12) High School GED Technical School
Associate Degree Bachelor Degree Graduate Degree Currently a student

Father's information:

Occupation: _____ Place of employment _____

How long have you worked there? _____ Work phone number _____

Educational level (circle highest level completed):

Elementary High School (7-12) High School GED Technical School
Associate Degree Bachelor Degree Graduate Degree Currently a student

Are other adults contributing to the household income? _____ If yes, please explain.

Please describe any special financial circumstances affecting the family's budget.

How much tuition do you feel your family can contribute each month? (You must enter a dollar amount here) _____

PLEASE ATTACH A COPY OF YOUR 2014 INCOME TAX FORM(first two pages only). Scholarship requests will not be considered without this document. It will be solely used to determine eligibility, and is required to reduce fraud. This information will be kept secure and will be shredded after scholarships have been awarded. If you did not file US income tax forms last year, please speak with the Director to determine what documents you need to submit.

I hereby certify that all of the information in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature(s)

Date