



Main Street School Tuition, Enrollment Fees, & Financial Assistance Options

Enrollment Fees - New Families Only

\$150 through June 30, 2025; \$300 July 1, 2025 or later. Link for [enrollment](#).

Re-Enrollment Fees - Current Families

Current families have until March 23rd to secure their student's position. When you re-enroll, a \$150 deposit will be charged. Re-enrollment deposits will be credited to the tuition payment on August 1, 2025. Link for [re-enrollment](#).

Technology Fee

Students in Middle and High School programs are required to pay a yearly technology fee of \$250.

Iowa Students First Educational Savings Account (ESA)

Beginning with the 2025-26 school year, and for each subsequent year, all Iowa resident K-12 students are eligible regardless of income. Parents who enroll their eligible children in one of Iowa's accredited nonpublic schools will receive an amount equal to the per-pupil funding allocated to public school districts for the same budget school year. For the 2025-26 school year, the amount will be \$7,988. Funds are held in an Education Savings Account (ESA) for tuition, fees, and other eligible, qualified education expenses. Beginning with the 2025-26 school year, and for each subsequent year, all Iowa resident K-12 students are eligible regardless of income.

The 2025-26 application opens at 8:00 a.m. April 16, 2025, and through 11:59 p.m. June 30, 2025. Late applications will not be accepted. For more information, including frequently asked questions and to apply, please visit the Iowa Department of Education's Students First ESA website at <https://educate.iowa.gov/pk-12/educational-choice/education-savings-accounts>.

Tuition and Affordability at Main Street School

At Main Street School, we are committed to keeping our unique educational experience within reach for families from a wide range of financial backgrounds. We believe that a family's financial circumstances should never be the sole factor in determining whether a child can benefit from our program.

To honor this commitment, we use a need-based tuition model. Families who are interested in tuition assistance complete a confidential application through School and Student Services (SSS), which provides an assessment of what a family can reasonably contribute. This approach enables us to match tuition more closely to what families can afford, while ensuring that our school has the necessary resources to deliver an exceptional educational program.

How does the need-based tuition model work?

The need-based tuition model is grounded in the principle that each family's contribution should be in proportion to its financial capacity. Main Street School partners with School and Student Services (SSS) to manage this process. Families who wish to apply for tuition assistance complete the SSS application, which provides the school with a confidential evaluation of financial need. Using this information, Main Street School determines an appropriate tuition level for each family within the limits of our available resources.

2025-2026 Primary Tuition Rate: \$8,000 per year

Primary tuition is not tiered, but families who have a financial need can choose to apply for financial aid to help offset primary tuition costs. The application for financial assistance will utilize the same process noted below, which is submitting an SSS online application. Families are eligible for sibling discounts with the Primary program. Due to limited funding, financial assistance for the Primary program will be granted in the order applications are received.

Filling Out an Application for Financial Assistance

Use the SSS Family Portal Login Page (<https://sssandtadsfa.my.site.com/familyportal>) to complete the online application. A \$60 fee is associated with the application. If the \$60 fee is problematic, please contact the school.

The application takes time to complete, and you will need to have the following information available:

- 2024 & 2023 tax information (W2, 1040, 1099, etc)
- Asset Information (property, investments, etc)
- Debt information (mortgages, credit cards, etc)
- Expense information (utilities, clubs, etc)

Please note that scholarship determinations may consider business sales, assets, and distributions, not only reported income, and families requesting financial assistance may be asked to provide additional financial documentation, such as business tax filings, profit and loss statements, balance sheets, or cash flow statements, etc.

Main Street School Partner Code: 201278

SSS Application Assistance

The SSS Website for Parents & Families (<http://www.solutionsbysss.com/parents>) contains support documents, a Parent Financial Statement (PFS) workbook, and other downloadable guides. If you have questions or need help, please contact the SSS Family Support Center by phone at (800) 344-8328 or email at sssandtadsfa@communitybrands.com for assistance. The center has daytime hours.

Sibling Discount

Families enrolling more than one student will receive a sibling discount for each additional child. The discount will be applied to the tuition costs minus the ESA funding allotment. The highest percentage discount will be applied to the lowest tuition amount.

- A 10% sibling discount will be applied to the second child enrolled.
- A 15% discount will be applied for the third child and any additional children.

Tuition Payment Structure

- Invoicing and payments are managed through Tuio.
- Payments are scheduled on a 10-month basis.
- The first payment is due on the first business day in August.
- Full-year and semester payments will be accepted.
- There is a 5-day grace period allowed for payments, after which a \$50.00/month fine will be added to the payment monthly until the balance is paid in full. If you have extenuating circumstances, please contact the Head of School.

Questions or Need Assistance

If you have questions or need assistance, please contact Tanya Apana, Head of School, at office@mainstschool.org or call 515-981-1275.