



# Financial Assistance

It's not enough to provide an exceptional education. At University Liggett School, we work hard to make it accessible, with financial support that helps create a diverse and inclusive student body that's welcoming to all.

**Over \$4 million in need-based financial assistance and scholarships is awarded annually. One third of our student body benefits from financial assistance.**

## Beyond Your Investment

The annual costs of educating one student exceed the price of tuition. To bridge the gap between what a family can afford and the cost of tuition, we rely on fund-raising, assistance from foundations, income from the endowment and gifts from the Annual Fund. Each year, 100% of our faculty, staff, trustees, and alumni board give to the Annual Fund, reflecting their commitment to our mission and the students we serve.

## FAQ

### What assistance is available?

We strive to make the experience affordable for each family. With the exception of The Liggett Merit Scholarship, all financial assistance from grades K-12 is based on demonstrated need.

### Should I apply for financial assistance?

Possibly. Many families who may not expect to be eligible actually qualify, and even a small reduction can make a critical difference.

### Do you offer athletic scholarships?

No. MHSAA guidelines do not allow schools to award athletic scholarships. However, athletics and other talents may be factored into admission decisions, and your family may be eligible for other forms of financial assistance.

### Do you offer financial assistance in every grade?

Yes, we offer financial assistance to all grade levels, with the exception of the Early Childhood programs.

### Do I need to apply for aid every year?

Yes. Families receiving financial assistance must complete a Clarity Application every year. Once an award is made, families can expect to receive similar levels of funding each year, unless financial circumstances change significantly, which may affect the level of assistance provided.

### Do all students who are offered admission receive financial assistance if they qualify?

Unfortunately, we are not able to offer assistance to every student who qualifies for admission. Each year, the demand for placement and financial assistance exceeds the supply, which means students may be offered admission but wait-pooled for funding.

### How do I apply for financial assistance?

University Liggett School is proud to use the Clarity Application to determine a family's level of financial need based on the information that families share in the application which includes assets, income, expenses, and debts.

### When students have parents or guardians who do not live together, do both households have to submit financial details?

Yes. Each parent/guardian must submit a Clarity Application to be considered. We determine ability to pay by factoring in all available resources from both parents and step-parents, regardless of custody or other legal issues.

### Is my family eligible for financial assistance?

A family's eligibility for financial assistance depends on the information submitted through the Clarity Application online. Many factors determine a family's eligibility and level of assistance, including, but not limited to, assets, discretionary income, family size, and the number of children in tuition-charging institutions.

### When will we know if we're eligible for financial assistance?

Notifications are made with admission decisions.

### Who should I call if I have questions about applying for financial assistance?

Your Admissions Associate can answer questions about the process, policies, and deadlines. If you need support during the process of completing your application, there is in-app support available as well as email support at [support@clarityfinancial.com](mailto:support@clarityfinancial.com) in both English and Spanish.

### Is there a fee to apply for financial assistance?

Yes. There is a \$60 fee to apply. Families receiving financial assistance must complete the Clarity Application and pay the fee each year.