



## Edgewood High School's Philosophy of Financial Assistance

Making an Edgewood education affordable to as many Madison area students as possible has long been a part of the Sinsinawa Dominican mission. Currently, tuition and fees cover about 80% of the actual cost of educating a student. The remaining expenses are subsidized through an aggressive program of fundraising and special events. In addition to this program, Edgewood annually provides a financial assistance program to families who qualify for grant monies to help defray the full tuition cost. In 2021-2022, Edgewood will award over \$815,000 in grants, serving approximately 40% of the student body.

Because funds are limited, the criterion for granting such assistance is financial need. A variety of circumstances may exist, leaving it up to the individual families to explain their own particular needs. Financial assistance may be granted for up to a maximum of 55% of tuition and standard fees.

## The Financial Assistance Program

In order to qualify for financial assistance, you must be either an existing or admitted and registered student. Edgewood uses the Tuition Aid Data Services (TADS) program to process financial assistance requests and determine each family's financial need. TADS does not award any assistance, instead it uniformly collects the necessary information from each family, audits it and provides this information to Edgewood to be used as a tool for identifying and matching need-based assistance with our families.

You can apply online through the TADS website. If you haven't done so already, please log in to the [TADS application](#) and set up an account – a \$20 fee per application is required. There is online help available to you from TADS (in English and Spanish). If parents are living in separate households, each parent must complete a separate [TADS application](#) to be considered for any financial assistance.

Since the amount of financial assistance is limited, Edgewood bases its judgment on the relative need demonstrated in the online application. The number of applicants each year also affects the number and amount of financial assistance grants awarded. Financial assistance is not automatically renewed each year. An application for assistance must be filed annually.

For more information regarding financial assistance, contact:

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