



2023-2024 Tuition Guidelines

Grade	Tuition	Application Fee
Kindergarten	\$7,700	\$75
1-5	\$9,700	\$75

** Families may qualify for a low-income tuition reduction- based on income eligibility*

Financial Policies

- **Kindergarten Tuition:** Annual Kindergarten tuition for full day is \$7,700. There is a tuition reduction to \$6,200 for lower income families.
- **Grades 1 to 5 Tuition:** Annual Grades 1 to 5 tuition is \$9,700. There is a tuition reduction to \$7,000 or \$8,200 for lower income families, depending on their individual circumstances.
- GH Christus offers three payments for full tuition options:
 - a. Pay in Full- Due on August 1, 2023
 - b. Two Payments- Due on August 1, 2023, and December 1, 2023
 - c. Monthly-Due on the 1st- August 2023-May 2024

ESA – Empowerment Scholarships

The Arizona Department of Education administers Arizona’s ESA (Empowerment Scholarship Account) program. This program allows parents of qualified students to utilize public monies to purchase education services from private schools.

- Families who are interested in applying for ESA funding can find further information at: <https://www.azed.gov/esa/parent-handbook>

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Per the Arizona Dept. of Education, Average funding for students with no disabilities:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1st grade -12th grade: \$6,000 - \$9,000 per student per year• Kindergarten: \$4,000 - \$5,000 per student per year |
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- Please also find informational videos on the Great Hearts Christos website on how ESAs work and how to apply:
<https://christos.greatheartsamerica.org/enroll/financial-aid/>
- ESA accounts will be funded beginning July 1, 2023.
- The remaining amount of the tuition you owe will be determined after July 1, once the ESA amount has been funded.
- You will be responsible for the remaining tuition after you have been funded with your ESA. Amounts may vary.
- The remaining tuition due outside of the ESA dollars can be broken into monthly or biannual installments to Christos.

STOs – Student Tuition Organizations

Great Heart Christos is also committed to exploring all opportunities to partner with School Tuition Organizations (STOs, organizations that receive income tax credit contributions which fund scholarships for students to attend qualified private schools located in Arizona). These will be funded on a quarterly basis as an alternative option to the ESA program. They receive income tax credit contributions that fund scholarships for students to attend qualified private schools in Arizona. They are authorized by the state to collect private school tax credits and award them to schools and students who apply directly with their organization. **Great Hearts Christos has partnered with three STOs to support our families who would like to use private school tax credits to fund their child’s education: Arizona Christian School Tuition Organization, School Choice Arizona and Arizona Leadership Foundation.** For family and friend recommendations, we ask you to visit [ACSTO](#). For our low income qualifying families, also visit [School Choice Arizona](#) or [Arizona Leadership Foundation](#). Substantial corporate tax credit scholarships await lower income Christos families who apply to the Arizona Leadership Foundation.

Tuition Reduction

How can I qualify for reduced tuition on top of using the ESA program or a STO?

Christos is happy to offer low-income families the opportunity for tuition reduction by submitting an income tax return for the 2021 filing year with your enrollment registration materials. Your income will be reviewed using the [National School Lunch Program Federal Income Guidelines](#).

If you qualify for Free or Reduced meals, you will receive the corresponding tuition reduction.

- Families who have students grades 1-5 who qualify for reduced meals, the tuition will be \$8200/yr. Families who qualify for free meals (grades 1-5) the tuition will be \$7000/yr. For Kindergarten, there is a tuition reduction to \$6,200 for lower income families.

We will use the 2023-2024 [income guidelines](#), as well as your 2021 income tax statement as our standard for determining your eligibility. A discount is offered to families who are enrolling additional children into a Christos school.

- The first student will be charged full tuition.
- The second child in the same family will receive a 10% discount on their tuition.
- All additional children (3+) in the same family will receive a 20% discount individual tuition.

Financial Policies

- A late fee of \$25.00 will be assessed if tuition payments are received after the 5th of the month.
- All electronic payment declines will be charged a fee of \$50 per occurrence.
- Accounts that are delinquent 60 days will result in a withdrawal of the student until the account is brought current or arrangements and a written payment plan has been approved through the administration. If your account is suspended, a \$50.00 reinstatement fee will be assessed.
- When a student is voluntarily withdrawn from GH Christos for any reason, at any time, (June-July) the parent must notify Administration in writing at least one (1) week prior to the withdrawal date. A formal Withdrawal Form must be completed, signed, and submitted. An email message to Administration from the parent's email address on file is an acceptable written form of notification to the school.
- After official notification has been received, tuition will be calculated through the week plus one full month. After this consideration, a tuition credit balance paid by the parent may only be refunded if there are no other outstanding balances owed for any tuition, other school fees, or any debt owed on any account.

- Parents have a contractual obligation to satisfy any outstanding accounts. In the event of default due to nonpayment, the account will be liable for, but not limited to, all attorney fees, court costs, and interest at the rate of 22% per annum.
- Accounts delinquent 60 days may be referred to outside collection agencies, will be reported to national credit bureaus, and a surcharge of 40% will be added to the outstanding balances to cover the collection cost. Should it become necessary for GH Christos to retain an attorney or collection agency to secure payment of any amount due, the debtor is responsible for paying all attorney's fees, court costs, and collection agency charges. Late fees may continue to accrue monthly or be assessed as a late fee when accounts are transferred between agencies until the balance is paid in full.