



## Tuition Assistance Scholarship Application

2021/22

Financial aid is available to the families of all current and prospective students; however, the school expects families to finance their children's education to the extent that they can. Award amounts are variable and are based on the relative need of the families that have applied and on the funds available.

**Please fill out the following application completely to ensure it is able to be processed.**

**All sections are required unless otherwise stated.**

Name of Child: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Montessori Program:  Toddler  Children's  Lower Elementary  Upper Elementary

Name(s) of Parent(s)/Guardians: \_\_\_\_\_

Employment: Are you and/or spouse/partner currently employed? \_\_\_\_\_

Contribution: List the amount you will be able to contribute towards your child's monthly tuition. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

CCAP: Are you eligible for the Child Care Assistance Program through Goodhue County Social Services? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, are you currently receiving assistance? \_\_\_\_\_ Are you on the waiting list? \_\_\_\_\_

*\*If you do not currently receive CCAP and your income level qualifies, RCM will ask that you apply before they will award any Tuition Assistance\**

Financial Circumstances: In the *Narrative Section*, provide a statement that describes the very specific details of your financial situation that you would like considered in your scholarship application.

**Has your family been impacted by COVID-19 at any time from March 15, 2020-Current? Yes No. (circle one)**

Good Fit: **New Applications for Enrollment-** In the *Narrative Section* provide a statement that describes (a) why you believe your child will be a good fit at Red Cottage Montessori and the attributes he/she will bring to the school, and (b) in a volunteer capacity, what talents, time, and level of commitment you will share with RCM to benefit the students, other parents, and the school.

**Returning Students-** In the *Narrative Section* provide a statement that describes (a) how your child has benefited from his/her experience at Red Cottage and why it has been a good fit, (b) the specific time, talents, and commitment you have contributed to RCM over the past year, and (c) what has changed in your financial circumstances since last year.

**Financial Documentation for both parents/gaurdians as applicable. Include with this application the following information:**

- **Federal Tax Return (most recent) (required)**

- **2 recent pay stubs (if employed) (required)**

- **Child Care Receipts (if applicable)**

- Any other financial documentation that is relevant, such as additional expenses, or income not covered in your most recent tax return.

Award Decisions: All applications will be considered by the Red Cottage Montessori Board of Directors, using the information you provide in response above. You will be contacted in a timely manner regarding the Board's decision. If you are not satisfied with the Board's decision and would like the Board to take a second look, we encourage you to submit a written appeal within two (2) weeks after receiving their initial decision.

Disclaimer: Consideration of your scholarship application is for one school year only. In many situations scholarships are rewarded in consecutive years, but each year requires a new application and evaluation. Scholarships are not continued from one year to the next, if there is a substantial chance in your financial situation or you have not faithfully contributed to the sustainability of Red Cottage by becoming involved with your time and talents. Red Cottage does not make any guaranty of your being awarded a scholarship from one year to the next. Scholarships are awarded on a first come, first serve basis.

## Tuition Assistance Scholarship Application Narrative Section

Utilize the space below and/or attach a separate sheet to provide responses to Narrative Questions above, and to provide any other information you would like the Board of Directors to take into consideration when evaluating your application. The more information you provide, the better the Board will be able to assess your circumstances and make a decision. If your family has been affected by COVID-19 between March 15, 2020-current, please include information in this section.

I attest that the information contained on this application and affiliated documentation is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. I have read, understand, and agree to the provisions of the Disclaimer.

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Parent/Guardian #1 Signature

Date

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Parent/Guardian #2 Signature

Date

Red Cottage Montessori School admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. Red Cottage Montessori School does not discriminate on the basis of sexual orientation, age, race, color, religion, national and ethnic origin, marital status in administration of its employment, educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship program, and other school-administered programs.