



## **Co-Curricular Department Financial Aid Policy 25-26**

If you believe you may qualify for financial aid, please read the full Financial Aid Policy below and follow the steps **BEFORE** you complete registration for Athenaeum or Homework Club. Please note that financial aid for Athenaeum and Homework Club must be renewed each academic year and must be applied manually by the Co-Curricular Billing Specialist. **Refunds will not be issued for registrations processed before financial aid discounts are applied to an account.** If you do not see a financial aid discount applied to your cart prior to checkout, do not process payment and <u>contact the Billing Specialist at</u> **Programs.Billing@greatheartstxschools.org before completing registration**.

Financial aid for Athenaeum and Homework Club is given based on the Free and Reduced Lunch application that must be completed for every academic year. The application <u>can be found</u> at lingconnect.com.

**For returning families:** Your financial aid award status from the previous school year will remain active through the September 1, 2025 billing cycle. This means you may register for Athenaeum and/or Homework Club for the 25-26 school year before completing your financial aid application for the 25-26 school year. However, to ensure your Free or Reduced status continues for the 25-26 school year, you **must** submit your Financial Aid application at linqconnect.com and send your status update certification letter to the Co-Curricular Billing Specialist at Programs.Billing@greatheartstxschools.org no later than September 15, 2025 to update your account. Accounts will then be marked with the new financial aid status for the upcoming billing cycle.

Any family who does not complete the application and send the certification letter for the 25-26 school year to the Co-Curricular Billing Specialist by September 15, 2025 will be charged full tuition beginning October 1, 2025. **Refunds or monthly fee adjustments will not be given for award certification letters received after September 15, 2025.** 

**For new families:** The Free and Reduced Lunch application for the 2025-26 school year will be available **after July 15, 2025.** Families seeking financial aid may wait until the application becomes available to apply and then register for Athenaeum or Homework Club. **Refunds will not be given to families who register for Athenaeum/ Homework Club prior to applying and qualifying for financial aid.** 

Once the Free and Reduced Lunch application has been submitted, families intending to enroll their student(s) in Athenaeum or Homework Club must create an account on Configio then email your certification letter to the Billing Specialist at <u>Programs.Billing@greatheartstxschools.org</u> to communicate your request for financial aid. The Billing Specialist will verify the discount level and mark your account accordingly. You will then be notified that you can register at your convenience and your financial aid discount will automatically apply to your cart.

**For direct certification families:** If you receive direct certification for the Free and Reduced Lunch program and are not required to submit an application, you must forward the email you





receive confirming your award determination to <u>Programs.Billing@greatheartstxschools.org</u> **NO LATER than September 15, 2025** for the discount to apply to your Athenaeum/Homework Club account.

<u>For mid-year changes:</u> If you apply for a mid-year financial aid status change, you are responsible to notify the Co-Curricular Billing Specialist of the change and submit the certification letter for it to be applied to your account for future recurring billing. **Refunds will not be given for status changes mid-year.** Contact: <u>Programs.Billing@greatheartstxschools.org</u>

Families who qualify for Free Lunch will receive a 65% discount off Athenaeum/Homework Club tuition and registration fees. Families who qualify for Reduced Lunch will receive a 40% discount off Athenaeum/Homework Club tuition and registration fees.