



Don Bosco Technical Institute

Financial Aid FAQs

Will I qualify for financial aid?

DBTI recognizes that each family's situation is unique. Every family situation is reviewed carefully, and an individual decision is made based upon all available information. It is difficult to offer general guidelines by which you can determine your own eligibility.

What factors are considered when awarding financial aid?

Financial aid awards are based on demonstrated need and the student's academic progress at DBTI. Although family income level is an important consideration, many other factors enter into the decision making process, including number of children in the family, number of children attending schools which charge tuition, other family dependents, unusual circumstances, extraordinary expenses, etc.

Beginning with the 2010-2011 school year, DBTI will accept applications from incoming freshmen for the Trustees' Scholar Awards, a four-year scholarship supporting students whose GPA is 3.5 or higher, and are committed to Academic and Technology Excellence, Community Service and Leadership. For more information, please visit the school's website at: www.boscotech.edu

What is the average award?

Awards for the 2009-2010 school year averaged \$3,000. The amount of the awards given are based on each family's demonstrated need as well as the total amount of money available to DBTI for distribution.

What percentages of DBTI students receive financial aid?

Approximately one-third of the students receive either financial aid or tuition remission via a sibling discount.

What if I am separated or divorced?

It is the school's policy to require the non-custodial parent to complete a separate Parents' Financial Statement (PFS). While recognizing that divorce or separation can create challenging situations, it is expected that both parents share the responsibility of providing for their son's education. It is the responsibility of the custodial parent to ask the non-custodial parent to furnish a separate PFS form along with the required tax returns, supporting schedules and W-2's directly to the school.

Do I need to reapply for financial aid each year?

Yes. Applications for aid must be submitted for each school year and are evaluated based on the information at that time.

Will my application for financial aid affect my son's chances for admission?

No. Admission decisions are made without regard to a family's financial circumstances.

Who reviews the applications for financial aid? Who makes the final decisions? Is the process confidential?

Applications for financial aid are reviewed by the Financial Aid Committee. Although the members may change each year, the committee is usually comprised of the Finance Director, the Dean of Academics and other senior members of the administration. The Committee maintains strict confidentiality over the financial aid files. Teachers and/or students are not informed of financial aid decisions.

HOW DO I APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID?

The 2010-2011 applications will be made available via a link on the school's website. They will be processed online by **FAST** (Financial Aid for School Tuition), a division of Independent School Management (ISM). The deadline to submit documents to **FAST** is March 5, 2010. The deadline to mail tax returns and related forms to **FAST** is March 12, 2010 (postmarked).