



## Dunn Middle School 2010 Financial Aid Application Directions

**Please read this information carefully, before completing any paperwork!**

We are pleased to share with you the materials you will need to apply for financial aid for the 2010-2011 Academic Year.

To complete your child's financial aid application, please follow these steps:

<b>Paper Work Required:</b>	<b>Due Date:</b>	<b>Send To:</b>
<b>1. The Parent's Financial Statement (PFS)</b> The SSS code for Dunn is 2914. Submit paper application or online at <a href="http://sss.nais.org/">http://sss.nais.org/</a>	Mar. 15	SSS in Randolph, MA
<b>2. Dunn Middle School 2010 Financial Aid Parent Questionnaire</b> Available to download from the School website	Mar. 15	Dunn School
<b>3. 2008 and 2009 Federal Tax Returns, including <u>all</u> schedules</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>If the 2009 tax return is not available by March 15, a preliminary award will be made. A signed copy of the 2009 tax return must be received no later than <b><u>May 1, 2010</u></b>, to finalize the award.</li></ul>	Mar. 15	Dunn School <u>or</u> SSS

### **Dunn School's Financial Aid Policies and Committee Guidelines:**

Dunn School is committed to providing a quality education to qualified students who for financial reasons would otherwise be unable to attend the School. Dunn's financial aid program is designed to bridge the gap between what a family can contribute and what it actually costs to attend the School. Dunn School offers financial aid on the basis of documented financial need of the family and the availability of funds. To enable us to do this, with finite resources available, the following policies and guidelines have been adopted:

- If the parents are separated or divorced, all paperwork, including tax documentation, is requested from both parents.
- If there are stepparents, the Financial Aid Committee will consider all partners' assets and liabilities as we review the student's financial situation. Non-custodial parents must also submit a financial aid application to help complete the student's financial options.
- If one parent elects to stay home and not seek employment, the Committee will impute a basic income of \$19,200 for the non-working parent. (An exception is made if the parent is at home caring for a preschool or an elderly/disabled parent.)

- If multiple children attend tuition-charging schools or colleges, it is expected that the family will be applying for financial aid at all schools.
- Financial aid grants are annual; a family must re-apply each year they seek financial assistance. Families can expect that financial aid award levels will be consistent year-to-year as long as the financial need of the family remains the same, the application deadlines are met, and the financial aid resources of the school remain strong.

Financial aid decisions will be mailed with the enrollment contracts. The signed enrollment contract and deposit are due by the parent reply date to reserve and confirm your child's place at Dunn School.

Please call or email if you have any questions or concerns.

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