



Sage Ridge School

College Preparatory Excellence

Sage Ridge School Financial Assistance Timeline For 2010-2011

Each year Sage Ridge School's Board of Trustees designates a certain percentage of the School's overall revenue budget to be used for financial aid purposes. The goal is to ensure that a Sage Ridge education is available to all qualified students regardless of their parents' financial resources.

Below please find the timeline for applying for financial assistance for the 2010-2011 school year. The application must be completed each year that financial assistance is requested. Note that Financial Aid for School Tuition (FAST) will be the standard submission format for all applications. The time frame for completing the financial aid application is as follows:

- February 12, 2010** ***New and Returning Families:*** FAST must be completed online and sent directly to FAST along with the required fee. The application process is self-guided. Online email and a 24/7 helpline is provided.
- March 8, 2010** ***New and Returning Families:*** After completing the online application you will be required to mail your 2009 tax returns for both state and federal taxes with all schedules and W-2's to:
FAST Processing
ISM
1316 North Union Street
Wilmington, DE 19806-2594
- March 17, 2010** **All returning contracts, grade 5 enrollment decisions for SRS families, and financial aid decisions mailed to all returning SRS families.**
- March 26, 2010** **All Returning SRS Families'** enrollment contracts along with the deposit are due back at Sage Ridge School.
- April 2, 2010** **New Families: Admission decisions and financial assistance decisions** are mailed to *new* families.
- April 9, 2010** **All *new* family contracts along with the deposit are due back at Sage Ridge School.**
- April 19, 2010** **New student Wait Pool Decisions Made and Communicated to Parents.** Wait pools are unranked.
- April 20, 2010** From this date forward, financial assistance will be available on a funds available basis related to the respective acceptance date. Financial assistance is granted at the same time to families who meet the established deadlines; families who miss the deadlines for the financial assistance

application, or who do not return the reenrollment contract with deposit by the specified deadline, risk losing their award.

The Financial Aid Committee attempts to distribute awards in the most equitable manner possible. **It is therefore imperative, that *all* deadlines for financial aid information including a copy of the 2009 Federal Tax Return are met according to the stated time line. Failure to do so may result in loss of opportunity to obtain financial assistance.** Each applicant is evaluated on the basis of:

- Funds available
- Student's academic performance and behavior
- Information provided to FAST
- Recommendation from Sage Ridge School Financial Aid Committee

Questions regarding financial assistance should be directed to Carol Murphy, Director of Admissions. Phone: 775-852-6222, ext. 503.

All Financial Aid Information is Strictly Confidential
Admission decisions and financial aid awards are separate transactions