At Crystal, we value students from diverse backgrounds because we believe students with different experiences and perspectives enrich the Crystal community and learning experience for everyone. That being said, we understand that an independent school tuition is expensive. Our robust financial aid program options help make Crystal accessible and affordable.

**Our tuition is all-inclusive.** We have wrapped almost all school costs into our tuition, which is $49,110 for the 2019-20 school year. **Daily snacks and lunch, field trips, class retreats, and many other incidental costs are included in tuition.**

**Over 21% of Crystal students receive need-based financial aid.** The average award offsets 73% of tuition, with awards ranging from $2,000 to full tuition. Further, our financial aid program was one of the first on the Peninsula to assist with additional costs of schooling at the same percentage of financial aid awarded. The assistance covers books, school supplies, athletic gear, public transportation, and more. For upper school students, we also cover a laptop and one global trip. We assure confidentiality for all types of assistance. For families who do not qualify for financial aid, we offer various payment plans.

The student experience is very important to us. Because we have an inclusive school culture, it is not customary for students to boast about summer vacation destinations, drive expensive cars, or display wealth. We work hard to ensure students who receive financial aid have the same school experiences as those who do not. We are proud that our students who receive financial aid say they feel equally included, valued, and supported by the community and their peers. We hope to continue this positive experience for Crystal students who receive financial aid.

The reverse of this page outlines a few case studies representing a variety of family compositions and backgrounds to help visualize how to make a Crystal education affordable for your family. However, each case is different. Therefore, I welcome you to contact me directly with any questions you may have about your family’s situation and the financial aid application process. I also invite you to attend the **Financial Aid Information Session we are hosting on December 5, 2019, and December 14, 2019.** I look forward to meeting you soon!

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MAKING CRYSTAL AFFORDABLE

Whether you are paying part or all of tuition, the following options are available to you.
1. Pay the entire tuition on June 1st
2. Pay 75% of tuition on June 1st and 25% in January*
3. Split the tuition in 10 equal payments (fees apply)*

*involves a small extra fee

CASE STUDIES

Family #1: Two parents, two children, both in tuition-charging schools
Income: $376,000       Net Worth*: $560,000
Award: $21,280 per child or 45% of full tuition.
Family pays towards CSUS tuition: $25,500 per child, $51,000 in total.
Crystal covers 45% of all additional school-related costs, including soccer cleats, shin guards, and the Crystal Zambia trip in the summer.

Family #2: Two parents, one child
Income: $175,000       Net Worth*: $150,000
Award: $34,780 or 74% of full tuition
Family pays towards tuition: $12,000
Crystal covers 74% of all additional school-related costs, including a class sweatshirt, and tutoring for math and science.

Family #3: One parent, one child
Income: $101,000       Net Worth*: $140,000
Award: $46,780 or 100% of full tuition
Family pays towards CSUS tuition: $0
Crystal covers 100% of all additional school-related costs, including CalTrain tickets, basketball shoes, and the Crystal France trip over Spring Break.

Family #4: Two parents, two children, both of whom are at Crystal
Income: $490,000       Net Worth*: $1,000,000
Award: $11,280 or 24% of full tuition
Family pays towards CSUS tuition: $35,500 per child, or $71,000 in total
Crystal covers 24% of all additional school-related costs, including tutoring for English, BART tickets, and the Crystal China trip over the summer.

*Net worth includes savings, investments, home equity, etc.