

Berkshire Taconic Community Foundation

The Kinderhof Scholarship Fund Application Guidelines

Eligibility

Applications are accepted from families in Berkshire County, Columbia County and northwest Litchfield County whose children have been accepted into the Kinderhof School, 76 Boice Road, North Egremont, MA 01252, and who can demonstrate need of financial assistance to cover tuition costs.

Awards

Awards depend on the amount available from the fund and the number of applications received, but will generally range up to 20 percent of tuition costs. Award payment will be made directly to the Kinderhof School.

Deadline

Completed applications must be received at Berkshire Taconic by 5 p.m., March 1.

To Apply

Complete the attached application form and send it to Berkshire Taconic along with:

- Verification of admission to the Kinderhof School.
- A copy of the parents' current tax return(s) and/or other financial information. You may add one additional sheet, if necessary, to explain any unusual financial circumstances which you think should be taken into consideration on your behalf. (Specific financial information is held in confidence by Berkshire Taconic and is not given to the Committee. Berkshire Taconic gives the Committee only general financial information about the applicant.)
- A 1-2 page letter outlining why your child should be selected for an award. Mention any special circumstances or considerations that the Committee should be aware of. The content of your letter will be presented to the committee without any identifying information (names, addresses, etc.).

Notification

Applicants will be informed of Berkshire Taconic's decision within three months of the deadline date.

Review Process

Applications will be reviewed by the Kinderhof Scholarship Advisory Committee. This is a committee of current and past parents and other friends of the school. Their recommendations will be reviewed by the Berkshire Taconic Community Foundation's board of directors.

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Review Criteria

The committee will review requests for scholarships according to the following criteria:

- Financial need.
- Significance of the scholarship award to the family.

Questions

Please contact Maeve O'Dea, Program Director, at 413.528.8039 or by email at maeve@berkshiretaconic.org

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Berkshire Taconic Community Foundation builds stronger, more vibrant communities and improves the quality of life for all residents of Berkshire County, MA; Columbia County and northeast Dutchess County, NY; and northwest Litchfield County, CT. Since 1987, we have been an agent for positive change in the region we serve. In education, health care, basic human services, transportation, the arts, youth and senior programs—our grants touch all aspects of life and every person in the Berkshire Taconic region. Each year, we help thousands of donors achieve their philanthropic goals and hundreds of nonprofits carry on their good work. Berkshire Taconic is a 501 (c)(3) charitable organization and is proud to serve as steward for this fund.

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Application

Name of Kinderhof Student: _____

Father, Stepfather, Or Male Guardian

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Occupation: _____

Title: _____

Employed by: _____

City, State: _____

Phone: _____

Years on Job: _____

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Mother, Stepmother, or Female Guardian

Name: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Occupation: _____

Title: _____

Employed by: _____

City, State: _____

Phone: _____

Years on Job: _____

Check One

Never Married ____ Married ____ Divorced ____ Legally Separated ____ Separated, no court action ____

Date of divorce or separation ____/____

Name of Parent who claimed student as a tax exemption for current year: _____

Is there an agreement specifying a contribution from the parent for educational expenses Yes; No

If yes, please specify _____

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Name(s) of other dependents in the household	Age	Relationship	Check if in school	Tuition Costs
_____	_____	_____	_____	\$ _____
_____	_____	_____	_____	\$ _____
_____	_____	_____	_____	\$ _____
_____	_____	_____	_____	\$ _____

Income Summary

Source	Current Year	Upcoming Year	Name
First person wages – total all jobs	\$ _____	\$ _____	_____
Second person wages – total all jobs	\$ _____	\$ _____	_____
Cash income (tips, etc.) kept confidential	\$ _____	\$ _____	_____
Other income* (attach explanation)	\$ _____	\$ _____	_____
Total Income	\$ _____	\$ _____	_____

*Include payments for travel, housing, etc. provided as a benefit, income of children and other household members, business, farm or self-employment income.

Anticipated Expenses for Upcoming Calendar Year

Taxes	\$ _____
Insurance	\$ _____
Out-of-pocket Health	\$ _____
Mortgage/Rent	\$ _____

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Anticipated Expenses for Upcoming Calendar Year (Continued)

Credit Card & Other Loan Debt \$ _____

Utilities \$ _____

Vehicles \$ _____

Child Care \$ _____

Other sources of tuition support: \$ _____

Other sources may include money from relatives, etc.

The information submitted above is true and complete to the best of my/our knowledge. The Kinderhof Tuition Assistance Fund Committee reserves the right to modify or revoke any reduction decisions if information is withheld or misrepresented. I/we understand that the information will be treated confidentially by the Committee.

Signature of male parent or guardian _____

Date _____

Signature of female parent or guardian _____

Date _____

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Total Full Tuition: \$ _____

Tuition Reduction Awarded \$ _____

Total Adjusted Tuition \$ _____

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