

## **APPLYING FOR TUITION ASSISTANCE**

We understand that affording quality education is essential. That's why we've partnered with Clarity to provide a need-based tuition assistance program. Applying for tuition assistance is a straightforward process, separate from the admission application.

Here's how you can easily complete the application:

- Access the Clarity application at clarityschools.com and click "Sign In" to create your account.
- 2. The application typically takes less than 30 minutes to complete and is mobile-friendly, allowing you to work on it from anywhere. Plus, you can save your progress and return to it later.
- 3. Begin by providing your household and applicant information. Be sure to select MICDS when submitting your application.
- 4. Sign and submit form 450c to authorize Clarity to access your prior year tax returns. No need to upload them yourself!
- 5. Complete your financial information, including income, expenses, assets and debts.
- 6. Once you're done there's a \$60 fee to submit your application.
- 7. Check the "Document Requests" panel on your poral to see if there are any additional documents you need to upload to complete your application.

## **IMPORTANT DATES:**

- For current students, the deadline to complete the financial aid application, including supplemental documents, is November 20, 2023.
- New 9th grade applicants have until December 8, 2023.
- Early Action Option (JK) applicants have until December 15, 2023.
- For all other new applicants, the deadline is January 31, 2024.

Remember, don't wait until the last minute. Give ourself ample time to gather the necessary information and submit your application. You'll need your 2021 and 2022 Federal tax filings before you begin.

For more helpful resources and information, visit our Tuition and Affordability page under the Admission tab at MICDS.org. You'll find a FAQ section and our Quick Reference Guide to complete the Clarity application, along with important deadlines.

At MICDS, we're dedicated to supporting your educational journey. If you encounter any technical difficulties, contact Clarity's Family Support at support@claritytuition.com or call 206-210-3752.

For other tuition assistance inquiries at MICDS, reach out to Ciera Field, Associate Director of Admission - Tuition Assistance, at 314-995-7405 or cfield@micds.org.