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## FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE Terms and Conditions

1. **Financial assistance is applied to tuition only.** Contract signees are responsible for the balance, plus any additional applicable fees.
2. **Financial assistance is tentative and based upon receipt of all verification documents.** You may upload the documents to the School and Student Services website or send the physical documents to the Director of Admissions.
3. **Financial assistance awards are considered confidential.** Details of the offer are only available to the family, the Head of School, the Director of Admissions, and the Business Office of Tidewater Academy. Sharing of any details of the financial aid offer is considered a violation of the terms and spirit of this agreement.
4. **Financial assistance is considered an investment in a student and family.** Students receiving financial assistance are expected to demonstrate the highest regard for Tidewater Academy's mission and philosophy, Code of Conduct, policies, and programs. In addition, Tidewater Academy will evaluate the applicant's academic, attendance, and behavior record each year before aid is granted and at the conclusion of the first semester of the school year. **All students who have been granted aid must maintain an overall 2.0 grade point average, adhere to the Code of Conduct, and follow the Student and Family Handbook guidelines to continue receiving financial aid. Tidewater Academy reserves the right to remove financial aid after evaluation of the student's records.**
5. **Financial assistance awards are applicable to the current academic year and not transferrable to past or future years or redeemable in cash.** Financial assistance is allocated annually by TA's Board of Directors. An award in one year does not guarantee an award for future years. Families must reapply for assistance each year.
6. **Tidewater Academy will communicate its financial aid decision to the applicant through an offer letter.** Should families not wish to receive this offer or wish to discuss a counteroffer, contact must be made with the Director of Admissions within two weeks of the date of the offer.
7. **Applying for financial aid does not guarantee that the applicant will be eligible for financial aid, nor does being eligible guarantee that there will be financial aid available.** To make final decisions, Tidewater Academy uses the information from the Parents' Financial Statement (PFS) as a starting point. School-specific policies, practices, and available budgets are taken into consideration, all of which impact the determination the applicant's eligibility.