SHREWSBURY
MONTESSORI SCHOOL

The Financial Aid Application Process | 2027–28

Shrewsbury Montessori School partners with Clarity Tuition to manage our financial aid applications. Clarity offers a simple, mobile-friendly application that usually takes under 30 minutes to complete. You can save your progress at any time and return later. Students in grades K through 6 are eligible to apply for financial aid.

Our Financial Aid Committee reviews all Clarity applications along with our school's policies, practices, and budget. Decisions will be communicated directly to families. For more details about our financial aid philosophy and policies, please visit our website.

1. **Create or log into your Clarity account** at Clarity Tuition.
2. **Select Shrewsbury Montessori School** as the recipient school.
3. **Authorize the IRS data transfer**:
    - Approve the secure release of your 2025 IRS 1040 and W-2 forms to Clarity
    - Be sure your address matches *exactly* what is listed on your most recent 1040.
4. **Upload additional documents**: (Manual upload required).
    - 2024 IRS Form 1040 with all schedules
    - If you own a business: 2023 and 2024 K-1s and full business returns (Form 1065 or 1120-S)
5. **Pay the $65 application fee**, which covers all Clarity schools to which you apply.

Additional Tips for Successful Completion

- Gather your 2025 1040, W2, or 1099/K1 (if applicable), your mortgage or rental information, any asset account balances, and credit card statements ahead of time, so you have the information you need at your fingertips.
- Share your family's story. The Financial Aid Committee carefully reviews all the financial information you provide, and it is helpful for the Committee to understand any recent changes in family status or significant financial adjustments from year to year. Note sections throughout the application are available for you to provide comments.

- List your annual "out-of-pocket expenses", not listed in other parts of the application, such as legal fees, funeral expenses, tutoring, club fees, athletic camps, music or art lessons, family vacations, or travel expenses.
- International students or non-US tax filers should indicate their status on the application. US tax documents will be waived, and other necessary documents will be posted to their Clarity account.
- Automatic fee waivers are provided directly by Clarity based on family size, income, and assets in the application for eligible families.

Useful Information

- **Our school's name:** Shrewsbury Montessori School
- **Contact information for our financial aid office:** financialaid@shrewsburymontessori.org
- **Family Support:** Available in English and Spanish; the application itself is also fully translated into Spanish using the drop-down in the lower left corner.
  – In-app support through the "Help" button in the lower left corner
  – support@claritytuition.com or 206-210-3752

Important Dates | 2027–28 School Year

Returning Students

- Financial Aid Application Deadline: December 1, 2026
- Enrollment Contracts Sent with Financial Aid Notifications: Mid-January 2027

New Students

- Admission and Financial Aid Application Deadline: February 12, 2027
- Admission and Financial Aid Decision Notifications: March 10, 2027