

Long Trail School Annual Scholarship Policy

LONG TRAIL SCHOOL FOUNDING PRINCIPLE:

“Financial need should not deter qualified students from applying.”

NEED-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS

Long Trail School provides an annual scholarship program based on funds raised for the Annual Fund for scholarships. Scholarship aid is determined by family income. Families may apply for scholarship aid annually by submitting the School and Student Service Parents' Financial Statement (PFS), their 1040 tax return for the previous year, and the stated scholarship application fee for processing. Returning families reapplying for scholarship aid are required to submit a Reenrollment Declaration and tuition deposit before the Scholarship Committee allocates scholarship aid.

The Debby Brown Memorial Scholarship is need-based for students residing in Washington County, NY, Rupert, West Pawlet, and Pawlet. Families apply by following the regular scholarship requirements.

The Long Trail School Business Office calculates the family need by computer. Scholarship aid awards are then allocated by the Scholarship Committee in confidence by date received beginning on March 1. The town tuition voucher, if available, is always treated as a tuition credit. All scholarship applications and materials are available from the Admissions Office.

MEREDITH BROOKS MCDERMOTT SCHOLARSHIP

In addition to need-based annual scholarships, the Meredith Brooks McDermott Scholarship is available by application. This scholarship is need or merit-based for students talented in the visual and performing arts. Students must reapply for this scholarship every year.

MERIT ONLY SCHOLARSHIPS

Merit only scholarships are also available by application.

PARENT EXPECTATIONS

One important Long Trail School expectation is that every family must pay some tuition at the best affordable amount. In exchange, Long Trail School will make every effort to meet the scholarship needs of qualified families based on the gifts and grants contributed annually to the Long Trail School Annual Fund for scholarships.

NON-DISCRIMINATION AND NAIS PRINCIPLES OF GOOD PRACTICE

Long Trail School adheres to local, state, and federal laws and regulations that require non-discriminatory practices in administering this financial aid policy. In addition, Long Trail School meets and/or exceeds all National Association of Independent Schools Principles of Good Practice in administering the financial aid policy.