



Director of Student Financial Aid

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Iowa District West Student Financial Aid Application

Iowa District West is privileged to provide Student Financial Aid to District students enrolled in LCMS universities and seminaries. Financial assistance is provided for full time church work program enrollees. The financial aid is funded by donations and designated investment funds given to the district for the purpose of funding Lutheran education.

It is the goal of the District to significantly increase support for church worker students. Gifts toward District student financial aid can be sent to Iowa District West.

The District is also pleased to provide assistance to students enrolled at any of the Synod's schools (Concordia University System schools) who are studying to serve in vocations other than professional church work. If you are a member of an Iowa District West congregation, and are enrolled at a Synodical school, please fill out this application along with the one-page district aid application you fill out each year through your school's Financial Aid office.

Check list (all documents must be submitted by June 1):

- Fill out and submit the *District Financial Aid Application* (a one-page form with three sections) to your school. You can request this form from your school's financial aid department, and you should turn it in to them. They will complete their portion and send it to the Financial Aid Director when they are finished. Please do this first so your school has time to process it.
- Ask your pastor for a letter of recommendation. He should send it directly to the Financial Aid Director at revpierson@gmail.com or mail it to the address listed at the top of this document.
- Submit a photo of yourself with your application so that we can recognize you if we meet you on campus or at a district event.
- Fill out and submit this form to the Financial Aid Director. Be sure to read the regulations on the last page. Email is preferred, but you are welcome to mail your application in if that is more convenient for you.

Student Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____ Email: _____

Date of birth: _____

Home church (name of church and city): _____

Pastor's name: _____

School attended last year: _____

Are you married? Yes No Spouse's name: _____

Children (names and ages): _____

Are you preparing for full-time church work? Yes No

What is your major/program? _____

Which school will you be attending? _____

What grade level/year will you be this fall? _____

Parents' names: _____

Father's occupation: _____ Mother's occupation: _____

Special circumstances or other details you would like to share with the committee as they consider your application:

Signature of applicant

Date

District office use only

Aid amount awarded: _____ Date: _____

Signature of IDW Director of Student Aid: _____

REGULATIONS GOVERNING STUDENT FINANCIAL AID

1. Applicants eligible for Student Financial Aid must:

- a) be members of a congregation affiliated with The Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod in Iowa District West; and
- b) have been accepted by a recognized synodical school.

(If the applicant's parents have moved out of Iowa District West and list the applicant as a dependent for IRS purposes, the applicant shall no longer be eligible.)

2. Student Financial Aid shall be granted for not more than one school year at a time.

3. Applications for Student Financial Aid should be submitted by **June 1**. Personal interviews may be held before July 15, if the aid is to begin the fall quarter or first semester.

4. Financial Aid will be normally made available after September 1.

5. If the student is no longer studying for full-time church work, it is the student's responsibility to inform the Director of Student Aid.

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read the regulations, understand them, and agree to abide by them.

Signature of Applicant

Date