



2016-2017

TUITION, FEES & FINANCIAL AID

**INCOMING STUDENTS**



Luther North College Prep has long been committed to providing quality Christian education to a broad range of students from diverse economic backgrounds. We draw students from all over the city and suburbs alike. In 2015-2016, 82% of the student body was awarded some form of tuition assistance with the average award being \$4600.00. The minimum scholarship & financial aid awards will not exceed a total of \$5700.00 off of the published tuition.

### **GENERAL INFORMATION:**

Once a student has submitted an application for admissions and taken the entrance exam, the family can apply for scholarships and financial aid. We realize that occasionally there are special circumstances that may not fit this timeline, and we are eager to work with families individually when this happens.

#### **Process for applying for scholarships:**

1. Based on the December admission test, if you qualified for the freshmen scholarship, please submit the information required to apply no later than February 15, 2016.
2. In this packet, there are application forms for the Len-Rich and CLEF scholarships. Please submit the applications not later than March 15, 2016

#### **Process for applying for financial aid and entitlement grants:**

1. Go to the Luther North College Prep website and create a parent log in.
  - a. [Luthernorthcollegeprep.org](http://Luthernorthcollegeprep.org)
  - b. Select "Student Life" from the tab across the top of the page
  - c. Select "Renweb" and then "ParentWeb"
  - d. Select "Create New Parents Web Account"
  - e. You will be prompted to create a user id – the district code is "LN-IL"
2. Once you have logged in select the link "Family Information" and then "Financial Aid"
3. Complete the application for financial aid and any entitlement grants you would like to be considered for.
4. Please contact Sue Lichner at [slichner@luthernorth.org](mailto:slichner@luthernorth.org) if you have any questions.

**Financial aid is limited – the sooner you apply the more likely you are to receive aid.**

**TUITION & FEES:**

	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Comments</b>	<b>Deadlines</b>
<b>Tuition</b>	\$9,200.00	Includes all educational costs	Payment plans are available
<b>Registration Fee</b>	\$300.00	Must be paid for financial aid, scholarships and course selection	Due with enrollment
<b>Technology Fee</b>	\$150.00	Includes usage of school technology, internet access and student printing	Due in June, 2016
<b>Chromebook Purchase</b>	\$250.00*	1:1 initiative required for freshmen and sophomores	See payment options plans below
<b>Activity Fee</b>	\$300.00	Includes yearbook, lock, planner, lanyard, ID, one set of PE issue and extra-curricular activities	Due at orientation

**\*CHROMEBOOK - 1:1 Initiative:**

Giving our students and teachers the tools they need to succeed in a digital world is an important endeavor for our school. To be college and career-ready, our students will need to be adept at using technology for critical thinking, problem-solving, collaboration, multi-media research and sharing and as an essential tool for interaction in a global environment.

***All students are required to purchase a Chromebook at the beginning of the year, to be used throughout their years at LNCP and beyond.***

Families will share the cost of the required purchase of the device, which will become the property and responsibility of the student. Upon graduation, the family will own their student's device. During their time at LNCP, families will pay a total of \$250.00 towards the cost of the device. The Chromebooks will be purchased through the school and set up with the necessary applications and access to online books needed for their classes. The school will also serve as tech support for the student's devices throughout their time at LNCP.

Families may choose to pay for the Chromebook in a 1 year payment of \$250.00 or a 2 year payment plan of \$130.00 per year. If the student leaves prior to full payment of the Chromebook, it will be the property of LNCP.

## FAMILY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM:

There are four types of tuition assistance:

1. **Scholarship Awards**
2. **Entitlement Grants**
3. **Need-based Awards**
4. **Incentive Grants**

Each student must be enrolled, registered, and in attendance before any financial assistance will be applied to tuition bills.

PROGRAM	CRITERIA	AMOUNT	HS YEAR
<b>SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS</b>			
Freshman Scholarship: each is a 4 year award based on achievement. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Gast Family Scholarship               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$5000 per year</li> </ul> </li> <li>2. Berning Scholarship               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$4000 per year</li> </ul> </li> <li>3. Ann Rundio Scholarship               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$3000 per year</li> </ul> </li> <li>4. Wildcat scholarship               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$2500 per year</li> </ul> </li> <li>5. Blue &amp; Gold scholarship – 2 awarded               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$2000 per year</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Qualifying score on entrance exam</li> <li>• 2 letters of recommendation</li> <li>• Transcript including 8<sup>th</sup> grade semester 1 grades</li> <li>• Five paragraph essay – What are your academic, personal and extracurricular goals for high school?</li> </ul> <p><b>Students are awarded the scholarships as incoming freshmen – they must maintain the criteria each year or the scholarship will be revoked and re-awarded to a qualifying student in the same graduation year.</b></p>	\$2000-\$5000 annually	Freshmen – Seniors beginning with the class of 2016
<b>ENTITLEMENT GRANTS</b>			
Lutheran School Graduate	Graduate from Lutheran school	\$500	Freshman yr only
Other Christian School Graduate	Graduate from other Christian school	\$500	Freshman yr only
Multiple Sibling	Sibling(s) attending LNCP – discount to each sibling in the family	\$1000	Each qualifying year
Legacy Grant	Child of LNCP Alumnus – \$500 discount	\$500 max	Each qualifying year
Lutheran Staff Discount	Child of full-time Lutheran Church/School Employee – maximum discount of 1 per family (student)	\$1500	Each qualifying year
Clergy Discount	Child of full-time Ordained Clergy – maximum discount of 1 per family (student)	\$1500	Each qualifying year
<b>NEED-BASED AWARDS</b>			
Cross Star Grant-in-Aid	Demonstration of family need, must submit application along with letter of need to LNCP. <b>Deadline for submission is April 1, 2016</b>	varies	Each qualifying year
<b>OUTSIDE SOURCE GRANTS</b>			
Chicagoland Lutheran Educational Foundation (CLEF)	By application – must have graduated from a Chicago Lutheran elementary school	\$4000	Each qualifying year
Len-Rich Foundation Grant	By application	\$1000	Each qualifying year

## **DESCRIPTION OF AWARDS:**

### **Freshman Scholarship Program**

Luther North College Prep awards 6 incoming freshmen students with academic scholarships in amounts ranging from \$2,000-\$5,000.

Criteria to qualify:

1. Must qualify on the entrance exam in December – top 15% on the standardized test. Families will be notified in mid-December.
2. After qualifying on the exam:
  - a. Submit 2 letters of recommendation
  - b. Transcript including 1<sup>st</sup> semester grades from 8<sup>th</sup> grade
  - c. Essay – What are your academic, personal and extracurricular goals for high school?

Scholarship is for 4 years as long as the following criteria are met:

1. Participate in 2 extra-curricular activities per year
2. Ten service hours to the school
3. If the student GPA falls below 3.5 at any time, they may have scholarship revoked

**Application deadline: February 15, 2016.**

### **The Len-Rich Athletic Foundation Scholarship**

Two scholarships will be awarded to incoming freshmen in the amount of \$4,000.00 to be paid in four (4) equal yearly installments of \$1,000.00 annually. This is a four year award as long as the requirements are met. **Application form and criteria is included in this packet, deadline to apply is March 15, 2015.**

**Requirements:**

1. Student must be approved for financial aid and recommended to the Len-Rich Foundation by LNCP
2. Must maintain a minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA
3. Must participate in at least two extra-curricular activities each academic year
4. Must maintain a good disciplinary record, including good attendance
5. Agree to allow Len-Rich Foundation to use his or her photograph and yearly summary comments in promoting foundation

**Application deadline: February 15, 2016.**

### **Chicagoland Lutheran Educational Foundation (CLEF) Scholarship**

Two scholarships will be awarded to incoming freshman in the amount of \$4,000 annually. Scholarships are intended to help students with financial need continue their education in a Lutheran setting. Applicants must have graduated from a Chicago Lutheran elementary (CLEF) school, and have attended a CLEF grade school for a minimum of two years. **Application form and criteria is included in this packet, deadline to apply is March 15, 2015.**

#### **Criteria to qualify:**

1. 2 letters of recommendation (teacher, principal, pastor)
2. 8<sup>th</sup> grade first semester report card
3. Essay – What are your academic, personal, and extracurricular goals for high school? (1-2 pages typed)
4. CLEF Scholarship application
5. Completed Smart Tuition Financial Aid Analysis

#### **Scholarship is renewable for 4 years as long as the following criteria are met:**

1. Students that fall below a 3.0 GPA may result in award not being renewed
2. Participate in 2 extra-curricular activities per year
3. Ten service hours to the school
4. Thank you letter with progress update written to CLEF at least twice annually
5. Complete CLEF paperwork to renew scholarship
6. Attend annual CLEF scholar reception

**Application deadline: February 15, 2016.**

### Cross Star Grant-in-Aid Program

Luther North College Prep's Cross Star Grant-in-Aid program is designed to ensure that talented students will not be denied a LNCP education due to financial circumstances. Grant-in-Aid is funded through generous donations of alumni and supporters.

To apply for a Cross Star Grant-in-Aid:

1. Submit LNCP application for scholarship/financial aid form to the admissions office.
2. Complete an application on the Smart Tuition website beginning January 2015.
3. Submit a letter to the admissions office with any other information they deem relevant to the decision making process.
4. All applications must be completed no later than **May 1, 2015**; a request that is filed late will not be included in the initial aid allotment. As a result, funds may not be available even though the family qualifies for assistance. Because LNCP's financial aid funds are limited, it is possible for a student to be accepted to the school but not receive funding even though all deadlines have been met.

Requirements:

1. Students must maintain passing grades; failures or multiple "D" grades will eliminate them from program participation.
2. Any student placed on disciplinary probation may also be eliminated from program participation.
3. Families of students receiving financial aid will be required to serve a minimum of 20 approved volunteer hours to the school per school year. Failure to complete hours will eliminate the award.
4. Tuition and fees from the previous year must be paid in full.
5. Tuition and fees payment contracts must be received on time in order to be eligible.
6. Tuition payments received late may result in loss of all financial aid.

## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT FINANCIAL AID**

- All scholarships, grants and/or tuition discounts are applied towards tuition only. All required fees are the responsibility of those paying each student's bill.
- The scholarships, grants, and/or tuition discounts are determined by the length of enrollment, eligibility, and/or qualification during any given year. Financial assistance in the case of termination of enrollment or eligibility is not refundable, just as required fees are not refundable.
- **Families must apply each year for financial assistance.**
- Apply early for financial aid. Applications are submitted and processed monthly. **We cannot guarantee any financial aid to those who apply after June 1, 2016.**
- If any amount of tuition, fees, fines or replacement costs for lost or damaged school property are not paid prior to the end of that semester, Luther North's Board of Trustees' policy states that all such students are to be withheld from enrolling and attending the next semester session. Official transcripts will be withheld until debt owed to LNCP is paid in full. The same policy applies to graduation. Students with any tuition, fees, fines or replacement costs in arrears will be withheld from graduation ceremonies, and receipt of transcripts and/or diploma will be withheld until such debts and resultant fines are paid in full. Payments made by personal check, business check, or online by ACH will be subject to a 14 day hold to allow for clearance of funds.
- In each payment plan, required fees are included in the first payment. These are not refundable under any circumstances, nor are they discounted due to the school financial assistance program. Tuition is non-refundable once a semester has begun.
- Each person responsible for each family's tuition fee bill must sign the "Luther North College Prep Financial Commitment Form" and "Smart Tuition Form" before any tuition scholarships, grants, or discounts are applied to the tuition bill.
- All required forms and procedures must be completed by the published deadlines.
- Students must maintain passing grades; failures or multiple "D" grades will eliminate them from program participation. In addition, any student put on disciplinary probation may also be eliminated from program participation. All service hours must be completed in a timely manner.