



Applying for Financial Aid at Royal Palm Academy 2022-23 School Year

We know making the commitment to private education is big decision. Royal Palm Academy is proud to offer financial assistance to families with demonstrated financial need. RPA uses the proven methods of the FACTS Grant & Aid assessment process. The school's funds for financial assistance are limited, and families are encouraged to complete the process as early as possible.

Deadlines:

- FACTS accepts applications starting January 6, 2022.
- Returning families must apply and complete all FACTS requirements by February 15, 2022.
- New families complete the FACTS application when applying for admission. Awards are made after acceptance of admission to RPA and before enrolling online.
- All families applying for financial assistance are required to apply for Florida Tax Credit Scholarships at the same time as applying for RPA financial aid (See below).

Apply for **RPA-Funded Financial Assistance:**

1. **New families** begin their application here: <https://online.factsmgt.com/grant-aid/inst/4GYRJ/landing-page>
2. **Existing families** begin by logging into your FACTS Family Portal, then select Financial from the menu, then click on Apply for Grant & Aid.
3. Include all financially responsible parties on the application. If a responsible party is in a separate household, a separate application is required through FACTS.
4. Complete all FACTS requirements including submittal of tax documents.
5. Families are notified of awards for review and acceptance prior to enrolling or re-enrolling.

RPA accepts Florida Tax Credit (FTC) Scholarships. These state-funded tuition vouchers include programs such as Step Up, AAA, McKay, Gardiner, and Hope Scholarships. To qualify for RPA-funded financial aid, families are required to apply separately for these awards:

Apply for a **Florida Tax Credit Scholarship:**

1. Apply directly to each agency individually -- Step Up for Students and AAA Scholarship Foundation (only one award will be accepted, whichever is higher).
2. FTC scholarships are based upon income and family size, or in some cases special needs. The two agencies' links are:
 - a. Step Up for Students: <https://www.stepupforstudents.org/>
 - b. AAA Scholarship Foundation: <https://www.aascholarships.org/schools/florida/>

We know this process can be confusing. We are here to help! If you have any questions, please contact the Admissions Office by phone (239-594-9888) or email: jscarafite@royalpalmacademy.org.