



Dear Parent or Guardian:

Thank you for your interest in the Summer Institute for the Gifted. We begin taking applications on **December 1** and will continue until February 15 (or until all funds are exhausted - at which time, a notice will be posted on our website). In order to be considered for financial assistance, SIG needs to receive the following documentation as soon as possible. .

1. SIG program application with the non-refundable \$95 SIG application fee
2. This financial aid application form
3. Appropriate supporting documentation

Each year, the requests for assistance far exceed the amount of funds SIG has available for students. Funds are allocated based on demonstrated financial need and vary by campus. Unfortunately we are **NOT** able to provide financial assistance to all applicants, and very rarely are we able to offer a full scholarship. Families are encouraged to apply early (beginning December 1) to increase their chance for consideration.

The chart below can be used as a guideline to determine the funds that may be available to you*.

| Summer Institute for the Gifted Financial Assistance Program | | | | |
|--|---------------|----------|----------|----------|
| US 2012 Poverty Level Guideline | | | | |
| Persons in family | Poverty Level | 130% | 150% | 200% |
| 2 | \$14,710 | \$19,123 | \$22,065 | \$29,420 |
| 3 | \$18,530 | \$24,089 | \$27,795 | \$37,060 |
| 4 | \$22,350 | \$29,055 | \$33,525 | \$44,700 |
| 5 | \$26,170 | \$34,021 | \$39,255 | \$52,340 |
| 6 | \$29,990 | \$38,987 | \$44,985 | \$59,980 |
| 7 | \$33,810 | \$43,953 | \$50,715 | \$67,620 |
| 8 | \$37,630 | \$48,919 | \$56,445 | \$75,260 |
| Financial Assistance Guideline | | | | |
| Enrollment Type | Up to | Up to | Up to | Up to |
| Residential | \$2,500 | \$1,875 | \$1,406 | \$1,055 |
| Extended Commuter | \$2,000 | \$1,500 | \$1,125 | \$844 |
| Commuter | \$1,500 | \$1,125 | \$844 | \$633 |
| Day | \$1,000 | \$750 | \$563 | \$422 |

Example: The gross income for a family of 4 is \$33,525. This family would be eligible to receive up to \$1,406 assistance for a student attending a SIG residential program.

** Financial assistance is not guaranteed to any applicant and is distributed at the sole discretion of the Summer Institute for the Gifted.*



Financial assistance awards serve as the final payment on your account and are not applied to your account until all other fees are paid. Following the submission of your application for assistance, you must continue to adhere to the SIG payment schedule as outlined in our catalog while you are awaiting our decision.

All financial assistance recipients will be notified of the type and amount of award by mail.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Christine D. Provencher', written in a cursive style.

Christine D. Provencher
Vice President, Operations
Summer Institute for the Gifted



Financial Assistance Application

Student's Name _____

Applicant Lives with: Both Parents Mother Father Other

Check all that apply: Indicate whose financial information appears on this form:

Parents separated or divorced Father Mother Stepfather Stepmother

One parent unable to work Legal Guardian Other Adult One parent deceased

Parent 1 Occupation _____ Employer _____

Parent 2 Occupation _____ Employer _____

Income Tax Filing Status: Married (Jointly) Married (Separate) Single Head of Household

How many children reside in your home and/or receive support from you _____

Total Taxable Income – Before Deductions:

Income from Parent 1 \$ _____

Income from Parent 2 \$ _____

Income from dividends and interest \$ _____

Other Income (pension, rent, trusts, social security, etc.) \$ _____

Total Income \$ _____

As supporting documentation to verify this information I am submitting the following:

Copy of latest tax return(s) Copy of W-2 form(s) Reduced / Free lunch eligibility

Other: _____

Assets

Cash on hand \$ _____

Real estate value \$ _____

Investments value \$ _____

Other assets \$ _____

Autos \$ _____

Total Assets \$ _____

Debts

Mortgage \$ _____

Bank loans \$ _____

Other loans/Debt \$ _____

Credit card Debt \$ _____

Total Debt \$ _____

SIG Program Applying for: _____

Would you be willing to attend an alternate campus if doing so increased your chances of receiving financial assistance? Yes No Name of Alternative Campus: _____



Funds Available for Tuition this Summer

From Parent’s, Stepparent’s, & Other Adult’s Income & Assets \$ _____

From Relatives, Friends, Trusts \$ _____

From State, Federal or other sources \$ _____

Maximum Amount of Tuition that you are able to Pay \$ _____

Minimum Amount of Financial Assistance you are Requesting \$ _____

Maximum Amount of Financial Assistance you are Requesting \$ _____

We are asked by our supporting foundations to gather information regarding the ethnic background of our participants requesting partial financial assistance. What is the ethnic background of the student (please check one):

- American Indian/Alaskan Native
- Asian
- Black/African-American
- Hispanic/Latino
- Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander
- White
- Other (specify) _____

Are there any special circumstances that you would like to comment on?

I understand that all information submitted will be kept confidential and will only be used for determining eligibility for financial assistance or any available scholarships. I understand that SIG may contact me to request additional information should I qualify for financial assistance. I certify that all information that is provided on the application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the application is being made in connection with the request for financial assistance, that SIG may verify information, and that deliberate misrepresentation of information will void application.

Parent / Guardian _____ Date _____

Suggestions for Alternative Sources of Financial Aid

Since our financial assistance program is limited, we are able to provide funding only to those applicants who meet our financial requirements. Each SIG campus is allocated a specific amount of funding based on enrollment and therefore only a select group of applicants will receive assistance per campus. The amount awarded is based on a careful review of all applications and a sliding scale is used to determine awards based on income, expenses, special circumstances, etc. We suggest that anyone who possesses a need for greater assistance reach out to other sources in your community beginning with your state gifted association or department. Contact information for each state can be found on our website at www.giftedstudy.org under ***Gifted Education Resources for Families.***