We partner with School and Student Services (SSS) in our financial aid process. To begin your financial aid application, you will complete the Parents' Financial Statement (PFS) then submit the required documents for our school as indicated below.

The PFS is a comprehensive application that will take some time to complete. Give yourself the time you need by not waiting until our deadline approaches. You will need your 2021 tax information before beginning the PFS. We also recommend reviewing SSS resources to help families with the financial aid process. They are found at <a href="http://www.solutionsbysss.com/parents">http://www.solutionsbysss.com/parents</a>.

Beginning in January 2022, we will start reviewing applications and will communicate our financial aid decision to you. This process will usually take two weeks. To make our decision, we use the information from the PFS as a starting point and consider our school policies, practices, and available budget.



## How to complete your Parents' Financial Statement (PFS) online

- Beginning September 1, 2021, go to the SSS Family Portal at https://sssandtadsfa.force.com/familyportal.
- Create your Family Portal account with your email address and a password. If you applied for financial aid last year, log into the Family Portal as a Returning Family using your same email address and password.
- Complete a PFS for Academic Year 2022-23. You can log out at any time and return later to finish it.
- When all PFS sections are complete with green checks, the Submit & Pay button activates. Follow prompts to the payment screen. The \$55 fee is nonrefundable. Once your PFS is submitted, it cannot be withdrawn from the SSS system.
- After you pay for and submit your PFS, the next step will require you to upload required documents by their deadlines as part of your application process.



## How to submit your required documents online

- Prepare your document files for uploading. Make sure the documents are on your computer and each specific form is saved as a separate file. Examples: a) 1 PDF file for the 1040 with all schedules and worksheets included, b) each W2 saved as its own file. Remove any security or password protection from your files.
- Return to your Family Portal account and confirm you are on the Academic Year 2022-23 Dashboard.
- In the "Required Documents" section, use the Upload button or link associated with the specific document type.
   Follow prompts to locate, select, and confirm the file to upload.
- Click the Submit button to complete your upload. The date will appear in the "Date Uploaded" column within minutes of the upload. Repeat this process until all required documents are submitted by their deadlines.



## Key information you need to know about our school as you complete the 2022-23 PFS

Our school's full name: Briarcrest Christian School

Our SSS code: 1831

Contact information for our financial aid office: <u>Dawn Ellis - email: dcellis@briarcrest.com / phone: 901-765-4655</u>

Deadline for completing the PFS: <u>Early consideration deadline is February 1, 2022</u>. <u>Continuous thereafter.</u>
Deadline for required documents: <u>W-2's and 1099's by February 1st or with PFS</u> / <u>Tax Returns by April 15th or with PFS</u>

Documents we require you to submit with your PFS:

1040 with all schedules and worksheets\*

W2 Form

**1099 Form - if applicable**Tax Year: 

✓ 2021 ✓ 2020

Tax Year: <u>✓</u> 2021 <u>✓</u> 2020

Tax Year: <u>✓</u> 2021 <u>✓</u> 2020

<sup>\*</sup> Self-employed Parents: Include all related business forms with your 1040 file (i.e., Schedule C, Schedule E, 1120, 1065, and K-1).