

## Confidential Application for Financial Aid – All Financial Aid awards are partial

Please return all materials to:

In person/mail: ACT Programs Financial Aid 1047 Amsterdam Avenue New York, NY 10025 Via email: act@stjohndivine.org <u>Please include "Financial Aid Application"</u> in the subject line of your email

In order to serve the economic diversity of our community, financial aid is granted to families according to criteria established by the Executive Director and the funding source. Families earning \$70,000 or less are eligible for consideration for financial aid—this income restriction may be modified based on family size. Aid is awarded on a need-based basis, though we do give preference to families that have previously enrolled in ACT, families living or working in the neighborhood, and single parent families.

To be considered, this application must be filled out completely with all questions answered ("N/A" is not accepted) and all relevant documentation attached. Tax forms and W2s must be for the current tax year.

This Financial Aid Application

- Current 1040/1040EZ Federal Tax Return (attach the first page only)
- □ Rent bill or receipt
- D Program registration form (from our website, actprograms.org)
- □ 50% of registration fee
- □ Proof of Unemployment, SSI (if applicable)
- D Proof of termination & severance pay (if receiving unemployment)
- □ Proof of Child Support payments (if applicable)

Name of Parent:	New Application	Renewal
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# This application is for: Summer Camp Afterschool

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Date received:		Program Cost:
Deposit:	Award:	Staff Initial:

# ALL ABOUT THE FINANCIAL AID PROCESS

## FORMS, FEES & REFUNDS

In order to be added to the list of financial aid applicants to be reviewed, the financial aid application must include all supporting documents. It is the applicant's responsibility to contact the ACT office to verify that the application has been received and deemed complete.

- 1. Applicants must complete this financial aid application.
- 2. Applicants must complete a registration form for the program in question.
- 3. Applicants must submit 50% of the required registration fee listed on the registration form.

If we offer a financial aid award, the family has two options:

- Accept the award
- Decline the award and receive a full refund of the registration fee.

After an award is accepted, no registration changes can be made. Any change in registration or failure to attend the program will result in loss of registration fee, loss of payments made to date, and loss of eligibility for financial aid for any future ACT programs.

If we decline to award financial aid, the family has two options:

- Receive a full refund
- Pay the full rate for the program

After notification, program space will be held for three business days. If the registration is confirmed, the balance of tuition and registration fees must be paid by the due date indicated on the registration form.

### **REVIEW PROCESS**

4. The deadline to apply for Summer Camp financial aid is April 1. We review applications for Afterschool financial aid on a rolling basis until funds are fully expended. Applications will be reviewed ONLY IF they are complete.

### **DECISIONS & DEADLINES**

5. Families will be notified by mail, email or phone of our final decision. Families must accept or decline the financial aid grant within 3 business days of notification. Upon acceptance of the award, a letter of understanding is forwarded in duplicate to the head of the household for signature. One copy must be returned to the ACT office within 8 business days of receipt; it is kept on file for 2 years. A payment plan is stipulated in the letter of understanding.

6. Families that do not respond to the financial aid award within 3 business days and/or do not return the letter of understanding by the due date will forfeit the award, any fees, and their space in the program.

Child Name:       Date of Birth:       Gender:         Age as of Sept. 1 <sup>st</sup> :       School Attending:          Program of interest & dates:			
Parent 1 Name:	Parent 2 Name:         Occupation:         Contact Number:         Email:		
2. Home address:       Apt. #:         City/Borough:       Zip Code:         3. Dependents – list all, including applicant(s):			
4. Parent living elsewhere: Relationship: Address:			
5. Are you receiving child support? If so, how much? [Please include proof of child support with this application] 6. Are you receiving unemployment? If so, since when?			
[Please include proof of termination and severance pay with this application] 7. Are there any other funds that might be used, such as: assets, gifts, aid from relatives, funds from Social Security, unions, or any other organizations? Give details:			

1. Child & Parent Information (complete based on number of parents in household)

9. Rent/Maintenance: \$\_\_\_\_\_

Any other commitments which should be considered in order to obtain a fair estimate of your financial situation:

10. In what ways might a financial aid award benefit your family over and above relieving financial pressures and providing a good experience for your child(ren)?

11. Given your budget, what amount of the tuition are you able to pay in order for your child(ren) to attend ACT? Please keep in mind that all financial aid awards are partial.

Cost of Program: \$\_\_\_\_\_

Financial Aid Requested: \$\_\_\_\_\_

Your Contribution:	\$
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12. Additional information you would like to share that will help us understand your financial situation:

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_