



School Year 2023-2024

Dear Hochstein Student/Parent:

The Hochstein School tuition assistance program is an essential part of our mission to provide access to all of our programs in music, dance, and Expressive Arts. All income eligibility limits for assistance are based on **net income** (after taxes only; other non-tax deductions are counted as income). The following income guidelines for eligibility apply for 2023-2024:

- ◆ For children taking individual lessons or group piano, household **net** income less than \$50,000.
- ◆ For adults taking individual lessons, household **net** income less than \$30,000.
- ◆ For children and adults taking classes only, household **net** income less than \$30,000.
- ◆ The above categories are general guidelines, but we realize that each household is different. We encourage you to apply if you feel you have a need - Hochstein does consider households that fall above the income guidelines if extenuating circumstances apply. Please refer to the last page of the application for more information.
- ◆ **Please note: As a general rule, Hochstein does not provide assistance for more than one individual lesson per student; exceptions to this policy will require prior approval by the Dean of Students.**

Please complete the attached tuition assistance application and include all pertinent income verification (listed on page 2 of the application). Be sure to check the list for all forms of income and/or subsidy that are at play with residents of your household. **Applications that do not have documentation included or are incomplete will not be accepted. Hochstein reserves the right to cancel any registration appointment if the tuition assistance application is incomplete or does not include required documentation.**

Applications should be returned to the Dean of Student's Office with appropriate documentation, either **with** Priority Registration forms or **prior** to registration appointments. If you have any questions about how to proceed with your application, please call 585.454.4596. Your cooperation is very much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Gary L. Palmer  
Assistant Director and Dean



## 2023-2024 Application for Tuition Assistance

*Please write legibly*

Name of Applicant (adult) \_\_\_\_\_ Application Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (work) \_\_\_\_\_ (cell) \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail (most frequently accessed) \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Circle one: *Full-time employment* *Part-time employment* *Not employed*

Marital Status \_\_\_\_\_ Number in household \_\_\_\_\_ (including all living at your address)

Spouse/Partner Name \_\_\_\_\_ (please indicate N/A if not applicable)

Spouse/Partner Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Employer's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (cell) \_\_\_\_\_ Circle one: *Full-time employment/Part-time employment/Not employed*

**List names and ages of all household residents (including dependents):**

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Please complete the following information for each student who is registering for lessons and/or classes:

Student's Name	Date of Birth	Lesson and/or Class

## Verification of Household Income

Please check all categories that apply and attach appropriate documentation to your application:

Yes, I have/receive  ✓	No, I don't have/receive  ✓	<b>INCOME/ASSISTANCE CATEGORIES</b>
		<b>Recent Paystubs</b> (include for each working resident of household)
		<b>2022 Tax Return (all pages of Federal 1040)</b> – <i>check “No” if did not file</i>
		Self-Employment (attach Schedule C)
		Rental, Royalties, Partnerships, Corporations, Trusts, Farm Income (attach Schedule E or F)
		Alimony (listed on return)
		<b>Unemployment Benefits</b> – Monetary Benefit Determination Letter
		<b>Public Assistance</b>
		<b>Cash Grant</b> - DHS Notice of Decision on Public Assistance, Supplemental Nutritional Assistance, and Medical Assistance (all pages)
		<b>SNAP Benefits</b> - DHS Notice of Decision on Supplemental Nutrition Assistance – if separate documentation from above (both pages)
		<b>Rent Subsidy Verification</b>
		<b>Utility Subsidy Verification</b>
		<b>Social Security (SSD)</b> – Retirement, Survivors, and Disability Insurance Letter/Statement
		<b>Social Security (SSI)</b> – Supplemental Security Income Letter/Statement
		<b>Other Retirement Income</b> (Pensions & Annuity Statements)
		<b>Child Support</b> (Child Support Enforcement Statement or copies of checking account showing deposits)
		<b>College Awards &amp; Stipend Letter</b> (include actual statement showing charges/credits applied)
		<b>Any other income source</b> – list here:

## Monthly Family Expense Worksheet

	Monthly Payments	Additional Details
<b>Rent</b>	\$	
<b>Mortgage</b>	\$	
<b>Food</b>	\$	
<b>Utilities</b>	\$	
<b>Phone/Internet</b>	\$	
<b>Medical Expenses</b>	\$	
<b>Educational Expenses/Student Loans</b>	\$	
<b>Day Care</b>	\$	
<b>Child Support/Alimony</b>	\$	
<b>Car Payment</b>	\$	
<b>Insurance</b>	\$	
<b>Credit Cards &amp; other Debt Not Listed Elsewhere</b>	\$	
<b>Other</b>	\$	
<b>TOTAL MONTHLY EXPENSE:</b>	\$	

Hochstein takes into consideration any extenuating circumstances that your family may be experiencing. Please check all that apply to your current situation and supply detailed information in the space below.

- ☐ Divorce within the last 3 months
- ☐ Separation within the last 6 months
- ☐ Domestic Violence
- ☐ Living in a Shelter
- ☐ Recent Immigrant/Refugee Status
- ☐ Recent loss of job
- ☐ Bankruptcy within the last year
- ☐ Accident/Medical Condition/Medical Expenses
- ☐ Other

Please provide details pertaining to your extenuating circumstance(s) in the space provided. Please be as specific as possible.

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All information supplied for this application process remains strictly confidential. **I agree to notify The Hochstein School if there is any change in my income or circumstances, which would affect my eligibility for tuition assistance.** I verify that all information on this form is complete and accurate.

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