



## Mayor's Office Children, Youth and Learning

### Financial Assistance

Only Cumberland residents are eligible for Financial Assistance. A minimum of 10% must be paid upon registration when applying for assistance. If you qualify based on our sliding scale, additional payment may be necessary. Private lessons and materials fees are not covered by financial assistance. Some programs require more than 10% for families who qualify for Free/Reduced Lunch.



### Steps to Apply for Financial Assistance:

#### Free/Reduced Lunch:

1. When registering for a program, select the "ADD" button for "Minimum Cost for Financial Assistance Applicants"
2. Proceed with your registration and make the required minimum payment (if paying with cash or check, you will need to register in person).
3. Provide OCYL a copy of your current free/reduced lunch approval letter (FRL), WIC or SNAP benefits.

#### Sliding Scale (for those who would like to be considered for our sliding scale or do not know if they qualify for assistance):

1. When registering for a program, select the "ADD" button for "Cost until Financial Assistance Application Processed."
2. Proceed with your registration and make the required minimum payment (if paying with cash or check, you will need to register in person).
3. State Annual Gross Income which includes: Wages, Salaries, Tips, Net Income from any self-employment or business, unemployment compensation, Alimony, Child Support, Retirement Income, Investment Income, Pension Income, Rental Income, Other taxable income such as prizes, awards, and gambling winnings, and Social Security payments, including disability payments but not Supplemental Security Income (SSI).
4. State number of children and adults in home.
5. Submit proof of all adult household income to be considered for our sliding scale. Proof of income includes:
  - a. Past 4 weeks of paystubs/benefits or recent tax return.
  - b. Files may be emailed or faxed to OCYL.
6. If you are approved for the sliding scale, an email will be sent indicating the amount due if you qualify. Your registration will be adjusted to reflect the cost. Any amount due must be paid within 5 days of notification.