

Dear Parents,

Thank you for your interest in the Experimentory.

Completing a Financial Aid application for the first time can seem intimidating. Please know we understand this and are happy to assist you through the process.

To apply for Financial Aid, please visit <u>sssbynais.org</u> and begin your Parent's Financial Statement (PFS). As you complete the PFS online, you will be asked for information in a step by step manner, with instructions to guide you. Our School Code is 2770 and the application fee is \$48. Please know that this is a lengthy application. However, you may revisit, change and update your PFS until you choose to submit it.

<u>All</u> forms and supporting documents for your financial aid application should be uploaded to School and Student Services (SSS), not to the Experimentory. If you have any issues with this, please let us know.

Once your application is submitted, SSS gives us a suggested amount your family can contribute to educational expenses. Their recommendations help us make fair and objective financial aid decisions. All aid grants are based on the demonstrated relative need of a family, following the Financial Aid policies and procedures of the Experimentory and SSS. If you have any questions please call the Financial Aid Office at 413-774-1568 or email mpersons@deerfield.edu.

Sincerely,

Melissa M. Persons Director of Financial Aid

Timetable for Applying for Financial Aid

March 10, 2017: PFS and your Experimentory application should be complete.

At a minimum the supporting documents provided should include a signed copy of your 2015 and 2016 IRS 1040's, all related Tax Form Schedules for 2016, and copies of your W-2's and 1099's for 2016. Some families with business income or distributions may also need to submit Business/Farm Statements, Forms 1065, 1120-S and K-1 Schedules.

March 24, 2017: Financial Aid decisions are mailed with Acceptance Letters to admitted students.

April 7, 2017: Deadline for parental acceptance of Experimentory admission. Enrollment Agreement and Deposit are due.

<u>Please Note</u>: When completing the PFS, educational expenses listed should be for current, full-year programs. We will factor in the cost of the Experimentory program in addition to your current/actual educational expenses, if any.