

Overview

The Franconian International School e.V. (FIS) was founded in 1995 to serve the needs of a growing international community in the Nürnberg, Erlangen, Fürth, Schwabach and Herzogenaurach areas. The school provides a key piece of the infrastructure required to make the Metropolitan area of Nürnberg competitive and attractive to the international and multinational business communities. As about 70% of the students come from abroad, the FIS is an international addition to the German educational system.

In consideration of the statutory purpose of the school, the FIS offers a Fee Reduction Program (FRP). Its purpose is to provide relief to the families of enrolled students with a limited financial background, as well as to ensure international and social diversity and to make Franconian International School e.V. accessible to students with the interest and need for an international education regardless of economic status.

Fee reduction application

The student's need for financial assistance must be established through the completion of a Fee Reduction Program Application Form, which requires timely submission of detailed family financial information. The school reserves the right to request a certified translation of required financial information.

The applications for FRP can be submitted to the Business Office.

If the actual registration at the FIS depends on the granting of a fee reduction, the parents should submit the application for FRP before applying for admission and indicate that fee reduction is a prerequisite for registration. In this case their FRP application will be processed within three weeks maximum.

Decisions regarding fee reductions will be made as soon as possible but may not be finalized before the start of the school year. While decisions are pending, full fees are applicable.

All students' eligibility for the Fee Reduction Program is guided by the following parameters and requirements:

1. All financial information shared with the school is confidential and procedures are in line with the German Data Protection Act.
2. In general, all students interested in joining the FIS, must meet the generally applicable admission criteria and show an interest to benefit from our international school program of studies.

3. Substantial changes of the income situation during the school year will lead to a reconsideration of the decision about reduced school fees. As a prerequisite for the reconsideration, the parents have to submit substantive evidences for the respective change.

The Fee Reduction is granted for one year. An annual new application is required. Families are obliged to inform the FIS about any changes in the income situation at any time during the school year, which may result in an increase of respective school fees. The reduced school fees will then be calculated on the basis of the new income situation for the remainder of the school year.

Levels of support for financial assistance

The amount of financial assistance a student receives is based on his or her family's net annual worldwide income. Net income includes all positive earnings regardless of the origin. Child benefits/family allowances are also considered income. Negative income will not be deducted from positive income.

The reduced school fees are listed in the fee schedules for grades 1 to 5 and 6 to 12. This ensures compliance with the standard benefit rates set out in the German Social Code, Book II (SGB II), for families receiving basic income support.

Families with more than three children who wish to apply for a fee reduction will receive an individual offer. Please contact the Head of Business Administration for this.

In case of extraordinary circumstances, the Board of Directors of the FIS can also approve tuition fees differing from below mentioned table.

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