APPLYING FOR PUCS FINANCIAL AID

After receiving your acceptance letter, and if you are interested in applying for financial aid please follow instructions below.

1. Go to <u>https://factsmgt.com</u>. Select *Parent login then Payment plans/ financial aid. Then click Sign In* or *Create* an account. You will then create a user name and password (or use your current FACTS Sign In) so that you can save your application and return to it if you do not complete it in one sitting. Click on the *Financial Aid* button to begin the application.

2. In order to complete the application you will need income and expense information as well as the name of your Neighborhood School and School District.

3. Read and complete each section carefully. Please take note of the following: In Section 2, for your school's city, state and zip code, enter "Pittsburgh, PA 15221."

4. In order to submit your on-line application, you will be asked to pay the \$40 fee by credit card or by entering your bank account and routing number.

5. The tax documents needed to verify your application are listed on the FGAA Checklist that is found online. After completing the online application you will need to submit all the supporting documentation. Your application will not be complete until all supporting documents have been submitted. Call Support at 1-866-441-4637 or mail to:

FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment P.O. Box 82524 Lincoln, NE 68501-2524

6. When you complete the online application PUCS will be able to award Financial Aid for your family if your family qualifies. You will receive an email notification from FACTS when aid has been awarded.

7. You will have 5 days from award notification to either accept or reject your Financial Aid award. Notify Jonathan Ray at jonathan.ray@pucs.org so we can know whether or not to reserve the Financial Aid dollars for your family. *The* \$100 enrollment is due 5 days from the financial award notification.

If you have questions about the application process, please call a FACTS Customer Care Representative at 1-866-441-4637. Customer Care Representatives are available Monday through Thursday from 8:30am to 8:00pm and Fridays 8:30am to 6:00pm Eastern Time.

Independent Scholarships and Grants

The following organizations provide grants and scholarships independently of PUCS Financial Aid. Scholarships are applied to the families' outstanding tuition bill. Families apply directly to these organizations for tuition assistance. Please note that there are application deadlines for each organization.

- <u>Best of the Batch</u>
- Bravo Foundation
- Bridge Foundation
- <u>Family Choice</u>
- <u>The Pittsburgh Foundation</u>
- POISE Foundation