

## **Northeast Iowa Montessori School (NEIM) Scholarship Policy and Application**

It is the intent of the Northeast Iowa Montessori School Board to allocate funds to be used for NEIM tuition scholarships, contingent upon funding availability. The purpose of the scholarship is to provide a positive Montessori experience for students whose family cannot afford full NEIM tuition fees. Families utilizing this scholarship must have a student who is attending full time, either mornings or afternoons.

### **Scholarship Funding Parameters:**

Scholarship funds will be distributed throughout the academic year, to eligible families after review by the NEIM Board. Funds awarded must be used to provide school tuition assistance for NEIM from families with incomes at or below 185% of the poverty level based on the most recent federal guidelines released.

<b>GROUP SIZE</b>	<b>Annual 185% FLP-WIC Threshold</b>
1	\$23,828
2	\$32,227
3	\$40,626
4	\$49,025
5	\$57,424
6	\$65,823
7	\$74,222
8	\$82,621

### **Explanation of what an FPL is:**

The Federal Poverty Level is a measurement that describes the minimum income a person needs to pay for bare living essentials. Federal poverty guidelines are used to determine eligibility for assistance programs. There are caps put in place on the income a person can receive to qualify, and often express these limits as a percentage of the Federal Poverty Level.

### **Scholarship Agreement Period:**

Families can apply for a scholarship at any time through out the school year. Depending on the funding availability the NEIM Board will determine the scholarship amount and communicate that to the awarded family.

We encourage you to complete the scholarship application and return it to the Head of School.  
Thank you!

**2022-2023 Academic Year  
Scholarship Application  
Northeast Iowa Montessori School**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name/s: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Occupation: 1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

Number of persons in household: \_\_\_\_\_

Adjusted gross income from last year's tax return (Line 37 of your 1040 tax return): \_\_\_\_\_

Have there been significant changes to this income?    Yes    No

If YES, please explain:

Write a brief explanation of why you are applying for this scholarship:

Number of months scholarship need anticipated: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return form to:

NEIM

Attn: Head of School

418 West Water Street

Decorah, IA 52101

Scholarship applications are reviewed by the NEIM Board of Directors and awarded based on needs. **Names and other identifying information are used for billing and record keeping only and are kept confidentially by the Head of School.** In the event of funding shortfalls and/or high scholarship demands the board may request additional information regarding your application.