



2026–2027 SLIDING SCALE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Application for September 1, 2026–August 31, 2027

COCA – Center of Creative Arts is a multidisciplinary community arts center that provides exceptional arts education through programs, performances, and exhibitions. COCA is pleased to be able to offer a sliding scale scholarship program through the generous support from individual donors, foundations, and corporations.

PROGRAM INFORMATION

- Sliding scale scholarships are available regardless of race, age, sex, religion, disability, sexual orientation, or national origin.
- Sliding scale scholarships will not be available to an applicant with a past due balance on their account until that balance is paid.

WHICH PROGRAMS ARE COVERED BY SLIDING SCALE SCHOLARSHIPS?

- Sliding scale scholarships are available using this application for classes/camps in:
 - Fall Classes 2026
 - Winter/Spring Classes 2027, Spring Break Arts Camps 2027
 - Summer Classes 2027, Summer Arts Camps 2027, Summer Intensives 2027
- Each student will be issued a scholarship balance for each of the registration blocks above. The total amount for each block will be based on household income, total household members, and the student's PPD requirements (if applicable).

WHO CAN USE THE SLIDING SCALE SCHOLARSHIP BALANCE WE RECEIVE?

- Sliding scale scholarships only may be used by the persons listed on this application. Unused sliding scale scholarship balances cannot be applied to another person or held over from one semester to the next.
- We value participation and want to ensure that enrollment spots are well utilized, thus, consistent attendance is a consideration for sliding scale scholarship reissue. Accounts must not have an overdue balance to receive sliding scale scholarships for the next semester.

WHAT COSTS CAN I EXPECT?

- Registration fees are exempt from sliding scale scholarships. All fees must be paid in full at the time of registration.
- A maximum of 90% of each activity's tuition can be paid using scholarship funds.
- Students registering for activities in excess of their scholarship balance will be charged at the full tuition amount.
- Sliding scale tuition cannot be used for:
 - Master classes and other special offerings
 - Transportation, clothes, shoes, or supplies needed for the class

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER I SUBMIT MY COMPLETED APPLICATION?

- Sliding scale scholarship amounts will be emailed within 5 business days after submitting the application with instructions on how to register using the sliding scale scholarship.
- Registration should be completed AFTER your sliding scale scholarship is issued. We cannot apply sliding scale scholarships to previous registrations or register for the class at the same time we accept the application for sliding scale scholarships.

WHEN DO I NEED TO APPLY AGAIN?

Sliding scale scholarship applications are accepted and reviewed on a rolling basis throughout the year. All applicants must submit a new sliding scale scholarship application each year during the application period. The next application period will open April 15, 2027 (this application period will cover Fall Classes 2027, Spring Break Camps 2028, Winter/Spring Classes 2028, Summer Arts Camps 2028, Summer Classes 2028, and Summer Intensives 2028).

Sliding scale scholarships are issued on a first come, first served basis, as funds allow. Incomplete applications will not be processed.

HOW DO I SUBMIT MY APPLICATION?:

- Provide copies of the supporting documents of all income coming into the household. COCA does NOT have a public copy machine and cannot provide copies.
- Faxed applications will NOT be considered. Submit application in person, by email to registration@cocastl.org, or by mail.
- Questions? Contact the Registration Office at 314.561.4898.



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Application Period for September 1, 2026–August 31, 2027

PART 1: APPLICANT INFORMATION

1. _____
 Student Name _____ Student Birthday (mm/dd/yy) _____ Gender _____ School & Grade (if applicable) _____
 Home Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Telephone _____

2. _____
 Student Name _____ Student Birthday (mm/dd/yy) _____ Gender _____ School & Grade (if applicable) _____

3. _____
 Student Name _____ Student Birthday (mm/dd/yy) _____ Gender _____ School & Grade (if applicable) _____

PART 2: MAIN CONTACT

(If applicant(s) is under 18 years old)

 Name _____ Relationship to student _____ Primary Email (REQUIRED)* _____
 Home Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Telephone _____
 Work Telephone _____ Cell Phone _____ Gender _____

PART 3: FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Complete the table below with your itemized income and provide supporting documentation of all income listed.

<i>For Office Use Only:</i>	Yes, I have/ receive	No, I do not have/ receive	Income
			2025 Tax Return (check "no" if did not file. 2024 will be accepted) - pages reflecting adjusted gross income, dependents, and any other income claimed
			If you did not file taxes: W2, or 2 consecutive pay stubs
			Unemployment Benefits - Monetary benefit determination letter
			Social Security Compensation - Letter stating the amount received and how often
			State Subsidized Funding (SNAP, Housing assistance, etc) - Award or statement letter

If you feel that the information provided does not accurately reflect your current financial situation, check here and a Registrar will be in touch to discuss your needs:

Total # of people in household	
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For Office Use:	Grand Total:	Per Person Total:
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*All communication concerning sliding scale tuition is done through email.

By signing below, you acknowledge that the information on this application is accurate and completed to the best of your ability.

 ADULT APPLICANT/PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

For office use only:

Date/Time Received: _____ Received by: _____ Date Approved: _____ Approved by: _____

Scholarship Amount: _____ PPD Companies: _____