



2025–2026 SLIDING SCALE TUITION APPLICATION

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 tuition program through the generous support from individual donors, foundations, and corporations.

PROGRAM INFORMATION

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

WHICH PROGRAMS ARE COVERED BY SLIDING SCALE TUITION?

- Sliding scale tuition is available for classes/camps in:
 - Summer Classes 2025, Summer Arts Camps 2025
 - Fall Classes 2025
 - Winter/Spring Classes 2026, Spring Break Arts Camps 2026
- Each student may use a maximum participation (with sliding scale tuition) in:
 - For Class: 3 classes, per student, per semester
 - For Camp: 1 full week of camp (2 half days, or 1 full day); Before Care & After Care for 1 week are also eligible for the discount

WHO CAN USE THE SLIDING SCALE TUITION AMOUNT WE RECEIVE?

- Sliding scale tuition only may be used by the persons listed on this application. Unused sliding scale tuition rates 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 tuition reissue. Accounts must not have an overdue balance to receive sliding scale tuition for the next semester.

WHAT COSTS CAN I EXPECT?

- Registration fees are exempt from sliding scale tuition. All fees must be paid in full at the time of registration.
- For a student registering for more than 3 classes per semester, or more than 1 week of camp, any additional classes or camps will be charged at the full tuition amount.
- Sliding scale tuition only may be applied toward 3 classes per semester and 1 week of camps.
- 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 tuition amounts will be emailed within 5 business days after submitting the application with instructions on how to register at the sliding scale tuition rate.
- Registration forms should be submitted AFTER your sliding scale tuition amount is issued. We cannot apply sliding scale tuition to previous registrations, or register for the class at the same time we accept the application for sliding scale tuition.

WHEN DO I NEED TO APPLY AGAIN?

Sliding scale tuition applications are accepted and reviewed on a rolling basis throughout the year. All applicants must submit a new sliding scale tuition application each year during the application period. The next application period will open January 19, 2026 (this application period will cover 2026 Summer Arts Camps, 2026 Summer Classes, 2026 Fall Classes, 2027 Spring Break Camps, and 2027 Winter/Spring Classes).

Sliding scale tuition is 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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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.

For Office Use Only:	Yes, I have/ receive	No, I do not have/ receive	Income
			2024 Tax Return (check "no" if did not file. 2023 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: _____ Assistance %: _____