

MAINE COAST SEMESTER



at CHEWONKI

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FINANCIAL AID POLICY

The financial aid program at Maine Coast Semester provides qualified students with an opportunity that might otherwise be unavailable to them. It is also designed to help create a well-rounded student body reflecting a broad social and economic mix. We do not want a family's ability to pay full tuition to be a deciding factor in whether or not an outstanding student may attend our school. For families with demonstrated need, we are eager to share in the cost of education to the best of our ability..

ACCREDITATION

Maine Coast Semester at Chewonki is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges and approved by the State of Maine Department of Education.



ADMINISTRATION

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FINANCIAL AID

Information for prospective students and families
2019 - 2020

GENERAL INFORMATION

Our goal is that no student who has applied and been accepted by Maine Coast Semester at Chewonki be prevented from attending for financial reasons. The average award for the 2018-2019 academic year was over \$16,000. Approximately 40 percent of our students receive financial aid.

COST OF TUITION

The cost of tuition, room, board, and books for the 2018-2019 academic year was \$29,950 per semester. This does not include the cost of travel to and from our school or \$350 needed to establish a student account to cover the cost of incidentals and spending money.

WHO MAY APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID?

Any student may apply for need-based aid. We have established a program that is based on grants that do not need to be repaid. In some cases, sending schools continue their financial aid awards to students attending Maine Coast Semester.

APPLICATION PROCESS

We rely on the system and forms developed by the School and Student Services (SSS) for financial aid. A family that intends to apply for financial aid should fill out a Parents' Financial Statement (PFS) online at solutionsbysss.com. In addition to the PFS, we require parents' most recent W-2 or 1099 forms as well as their 2017 tax return, including all schedules. We may ask for the 2018 federal tax return, including all schedules. The completed PFS along with the required tax forms should be submitted to SSS by the priority deadline, February 15, 2019 for a student to be considered for financial aid. If the student is currently receiving financial aid at his or her sending school, please submit a copy of the most recent award letter directly to our office.

APPLICATION TIMELINE

December/January	Inquire about financial aid and begin the application online at sss.nais.org
February 15	Maine Coast Semester admissions applications due (submit online at mainecoastsemester.org)
February 15	Financial aid applications due (submit online at sss.nais.org)
By April 1	Admissions decisions, including financial awards, mailed to families

For more information, please contact the admissions office at Maine Coast Semester at 207-882-7323 or visit our website at mainecoastsemester.org.