

Japhet School offers several different opportunities for tuition assistance on an annual basis in the form of financial assistance and merit scholarships. Tuition assistance generally does not exceed 50% of tuition.

Financial Assistance

Financial assistance refers to need-based awards that reduce the tuition paid by a family. To apply for these funds, families must submit their Re-enrollment Contract along with at least \$100.00 of the \$475.00 deposit to guarantee their child's position, and they must obtain financial assistance forms from the Admissions Director. Japhet documents and processes its financial assistance requests through the School and Student Service for Financial Aid (SSS), a third-party provider for independent schools. Applications may be made in writing or completed online. The online application results in faster processing and reporting to Japhet School. A second short application, which provides the school with a summary of how and when the SSS application was submitted, is also submitted to the Director of Admissions, Robin Pospisil. This piece also provides an opportunity for families to tell the school how much financial assistance they are requesting as well as to explain any extenuating circumstances that affect their financial picture beyond the numerical information provided to the SSS. Families will be notified of the school's decision and award in writing in early June.

Cathy & Joe Mohan Lasting Legacy Scholarship

The Cathy & Joe Mohan Lasting Legacy Scholarship is available to support students who express outstanding character and have a need for financial support that is greater than financial assistance can fill. This scholarship is renewable each year if the funds are available, if the candidate has financial need above what the school can provide, and if the candidate continues to demonstrate growth in character. This scholarship is awarded at the discretion of the Head of School.

Merit Scholarships for Current Students

Japhet School also provides Merit Scholarships for both need-based and merit-based candidates. Students must complete the Scholarship Application and meet academic and character qualifications in order to write for these scholarships. Japhet School is currently offering the following Merit Scholarships that do not affect the family's opportunity to also apply for financial assistance.

NEW for 2020: Janece Groener Visual Arts Awards

\$500 award open to rising 2nd-4th

\$500 award open to rising 5th-8th

Mrs. Groener, a former librarian at Japhet School, attended Parsons School of Design in New York and was an accomplished oil painter, quilter, seamstress, and floral designer. Kerri and Mark Vizena sponsor this scholarship award to honor Kerri's very talented mother who demonstrated the importance of the arts in everyday life. Students who apply for this award will submit, prior to the scholarship application deadline, a work entirely of their own creation in art class or outside of Japhet School. During scholarship writing day, they will write a short essay related to the visual arts. Letters of recommendation should speak to the student's awareness of the value of art, passion for artistic expression, and expression of character qualities.

Barbara Droege Citizenship Award and Arline M. Auten-Hartman Citizenship Award

Two \$1,000 awards open to rising 2nd-8th

These awards seek to honor students who have demonstrated exemplary citizenship and are committed to honesty, respect for others, community service and honoring our country. This award is available to students who have received a high evaluation in citizenship on report cards and who have demonstrated initiative and industry to improve our school, community and/or the world. Letters of recommendation should speak to the student's exemplary citizenship and expression of honesty, respect for others, initiative, industry, community service and honor of country.

Japhet School Leadership Grant

\$1,500 award open to rising 2nd-8th

This tuition grant recognizes a Japhet student who expresses exemplary leadership in and out of school. Letters of recommendation should speak to the student's expression of positive leadership. In addition, the student candidate also must write a reflection about their involvement in community service and turn it in with the scholarship application.

Grandparents of Japhet School Merit Awards

\$500 award open to rising 2nd-4th

\$500 award open to rising 5th-8th

The Grandparents of Japhet School Merit Awards seek to honor two students who express good character in their day-to-day lives. Each of the two awards will be given to a student who has received a high evaluation in citizenship on report cards, and who has demonstrated a caring attitude. Letters of recommendation should speak to the student's exemplary citizenship and expression of compassion, respect for others, and good judgment.

Arlene & Addison Brown Legacy Mathematics Award

\$1,000 award open to rising 2nd-8th

This legacy award is for students who have a high evaluation in citizenship and character qualities. Mrs. Brown served on Japhet's Board of Trustees, and Mr. Brown was an accountant who worked as Japhet's Business Manager. Students who apply for this award will write a short paragraph and also solve mathematical problems appropriate for their math level. Letters of recommendation should speak to how the student has internalized Japhet's character qualities and uses them for guiding decisions.

Chase Dobbs Alumnus Science Grants

\$1,000 award open to rising 2nd-4th

\$1,000 award open to rising 5th-8th

These scholarships are for two students who can explain the importance of character to science. Japhet alumnus Chase Dobbs J'11 and his mother, Caryn Rainey, provide these scholarships in gratitude for the strong start Chase received at Japhet. Candidates must carry an S+ or B average or better in science for the school year. They will write a short essay on a topic involving science. Letters of recommendation should speak to the student's use of good judgment in decision making and their curiosity and desire to learn about the world around them.

Robert Andreasen Merit Scholarship

\$1,000 award open to rising 5th-8th

The Robert Andreasen Merit Scholarship is for current Japhet School students who are committed to academic excellence, character, and exemplary citizenship. Students must have been on the honor roll for two out of the three marking periods in the current school year to apply. The sponsors of the Robert Andreasen Merit Scholarship will anonymously judge the required essay. Letters of recommendation should speak to the student's expression of character and citizenship.

Ruth Joy Outland Citizenship Award

\$1,000 award open to rising 6th-8th

The world needs citizens who are committed to personal excellence, expressed in honesty, truthfulness, responsibility, respectfulness, cheerfulness, empathy, tolerance, and kindness, both as leaders and followers. Japhet School teaches its students how to be citizens of such value -- now and in their future life. The Ruth Joy Outland Citizenship Award seeks to honor that student who has demonstrated exemplary citizenship. Citizenship marks for the first three marking periods for the current school year must be all "Excellent." Letters of recommendation should speak to the student's commitment to personal excellence, honesty, truthfulness, responsibility, respectfulness, cheerfulness, empathy, tolerance, and kindness.

How to Apply for a Merit Scholarship

Applicants should first submit “Scholarship Application for Current Students,” available from the Admissions office or from www.japhetschool.org - “Helpful Forms.”

Re-enrollment Contract and deposit must be completed and submitted for the 2020/2021 school year.

Letter About Scholarship Candidate from two individuals: one from a Japhet teacher, and the other from a person who is not a parent/guardian must be submitted by Thursday, April 16, 2020. (“Letter About Scholarship Candidate” forms are available in the front office or at japhetschool.org under “Helpful Forms.”)

Students must compose an essay related to citizenship and character on Wednesday, April 29, 2020, from 3:30 to 4:45 PM. The specific questions to which scholarship applicants write vary by scholarship and are not revealed ahead of time. Applicants may test for a max of two scholarships on the essay-writing date.

Students applying for the **Japhet School Leadership Grant** must -- in addition to the above writing session -- submit an additional paragraph composed on their own time. This paragraph should explain and reflect on their commitment to community service. This essay is due with the application by April 16, 2020.

The scholarship awards will be announced at Japhet's Awards Ceremony in June. Each scholarship will be credited to the recipient's 2020/2021 tuition payment and is not available in cash. If a scholarship honoree does not complete the school year, the scholarship award is forfeited.