

Tuition is based on a sliding scale according to Total Family Income (TFI). The USCG/DOD Scale will be provided to the parents by the CDC Director.<sup>5</sup> The scale typically changes annually.

TFI is defined by ALCOAST 445/08.<sup>6</sup> It includes all earned income including wages, salaries, tips, long-term disability benefits received by a family, pay for service in a combat zone, or anything else of value (even if not taxable) that was received by a member of the household for providing services. All other earned income, which would be reported on IRS form 1040, is also included. TFI does not include alimony, child support, temporary duty allowances, and reimbursements for educational purposes, workers compensation, or unemployment benefits, or unearned income such as interest, dividends, or capital gains.

For military patrons, TFI includes pay and allowances listed on the member's PaySlip (USCG) or LES (DoD), with the exception of Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH). Instead of BAH, we calculate TFI using the non-locality BAH RC/T rate (formerly BAH-II) which is the minimum BAH with dependents rate for the senior military member in a household. Your personnel office should be able to project your allowances, including BAH RC/T. COLA is excluded from TFI for military patrons. Military patrons are required to report non-military earned income such as wages from a second job in the family.

To ensure that the system is fair for everyone, TFI must be verified upon initial registration. For military patrons, this will primarily be accomplished by the family providing a copy of the current USCG PaySlip or Leave and Earnings Statement (LES) or equivalent for each wage earner in the family. For non-military patrons: income shall be verified with the most recent copy of a W-2, federal income tax return, or earnings statement. Additional documentation may be required depending on the circumstances.

I attest that the figures submitted in regards to Total Family Income are to be true and accurate. I understand it is my responsibility to inform the Child Development Center of any financial changes throughout the year. If income is found to be falsified or inaccurate I am aware that actions may proceed and back pay owed.

I have read and understand the above

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Sponsors Signature

Date