Financial assistance is based on the assumption that two parents are contributing to the educational cost of Cate. Therefore, even if parents are divorced, separated, or living in separate households, Cate requires that each parent complete the financial assistance process by submitting the Parent Financial Statement (PFS) and providing financial documentation. Yet, we know there are scenarios where this is not possible. If a parent is not participating in the FA process by not submitting their financial information, you may request to waive this requirement by completing this form.

**THIS INFORMATION REMAINS CONFIDENTIAL**
and is only used for FA and billing purposes.

**Student’s Name:** ______________________________________________________________

**Marital status of student’s parents**
Divorced  Separated  Never Married

If divorced/separated, indicate the year of divorce/separation: ______________

**Custodial Parent Information**

**Name of Custodial Parent and their relation to the student**
(biological parent, step-parent, adoptive parent, legal guardian, grandparent, e.g.):

Name: ___________________________  Relation to student: ______________

Please list the head(s) of household in the custodial parent home and their relation to the student
(biological parent, step-parent, adoptive parent, legal guardian, grandparent, e.g.):

Name: ___________________________  Relation to student: ______________

Name: ___________________________  Relation to student: ______________

**NonCustodial Parent Information**

**Name of NonCustodial Parent and their relation to the student**
(biological parent, step-parent, adoptive parent, legal guardian, grandparent, e.g.):

Name: ___________________________  Relation to student: ______________
The following questions will help us understand the nature of the student’s current relationship with the noncustodial parent. Please provide information to the best of your knowledge.

Has the noncustodial parent ever claimed the student as a dependent on a federal tax return?  
Yes  No

If yes, when was the most recent year this was done?  

Has the noncustodial parent ever paid child support for the student?  
Yes  No

If yes:
Indicate the most recent tax year in which it was paid.  

How much was paid to you that year?  

Was the child support paid court-ordered?  
Yes  No

Has the student had contact with this parent in the last year?  
Yes  No

If no, please indicate the last time the applicant had contact with them  

If yes, how often did the applicant have contact with the noncustodial parent in the past year?  
Weekly  Monthly  Other

There are many reasons why contact may be limited or nonexistent. If you are comfortable sharing, please elaborate on the nature of communication and contact over this most recent year.

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Does the noncustodial parent know the student is applying (or goes) to Cate School?  
Yes  No

Does the noncustodial parent expect to participate in Cate parent events this upcoming school year?  
Yes  No
Please use the space below to provide information that will help us better understand the circumstances around which you cannot ask the noncustodial parent to participate in Cate’s financial assistance process at this time.

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Custodial Parent Name (please print) _____________________________________________

Custodial Parent Signature: _____________________________________________________

Date Completed ______________

Cate School reserves the right to amend or withdraw financial aid awards in the event of newly discovered information or falsification of the stated information.

In addition to this form, you must complete the online Parent Financial Statement (PFS), which is due by February 1st for new and returning families. The PFS is available at sssbynais.org. For additional information regarding the financial assistance process, please visit our website at www.cate.org