

Congratulations! You have made a wonderful decision to send your child to a Jewish early childhood center. Childcare is one of the first big decisions you make as a parent, and experiences we have as young children can form the basis of what we regard as comforting and safe for years to come. If we want our kids to feel that Jewish rituals are familiar and enjoyable, you have started them on the right path.

In our community, we are fortunate to have several wonderful centers filled with vibrant educators, and families waiting to form life-long bonds. Our community is dedicated to making this affordable for ALL families. If you are in need of assistance, please follow these steps to apply for financial assistance which is provided by the Saltzman Foundation and administered through the Jewish Federation of Southern NJ in collaboration with the center you have selected.

Our community uses the online FACTS system for all applications. In order to be considered for financial assistance you must complete the application in full by Monday, February 1, 2021.

To apply for financial aid, visit www.jewishsouthjersey.org/financial-assistance. Make sure that you select the Jewish Federation of Southern NJ as your school. Please see page 3 of this document for further application instructions.

**DO NOT apply directly to the school your child will be attending.** You may note other schools, congregations, camps, etc. listed. This is because families may use FACTS for multiple things such as paying congregation membership, for early childhood, etc. Again, you must select the early childhood center you have registered with for the fall.

In section 5 of the application you will be asked to the school in which your child will attend. Do not use this application if your child will attend The Sari Isdaner Early Childhood Center at the Katz JCC. Please contact the Katz JCC directly for more information about their ECE financial assistance application and process.

After completing the online application, you will need to upload or fax all required supporting documentation. Uploaded documents must be in PDF format and the size of each document must be less than 20 MB. If you are unable to upload, fax the required documents to 866.315.9264. DO NOT use your mobile device to photo copy required documents as they are often illegible.



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The following supporting documents are required to complete the application process:

- Copy of the **entire** most recent IRS Federal Form 1040, 1040A or 1040-EZ U.S. Individual Income Tax Return (the year of the tax return depends on the tax requirements of the school). If applicant and coapplicant file separately, we require both tax returns for the same tax year. We do not require State Tax Returns.
- Copies of all current year W-2 Wage and Tax Statements for both the applicant and co-applicant. NOTE: If you are applying before you have received all the current year W-2 Wage and Tax Statements, please submit them as soon as they become available.
- Copies of all supporting tax documents if you have business income/loss from any of the following:
  - Business send Schedule C or C-EZ and Form 4562 Depreciation and Amortization
  - Farm send Schedule F and Form 4562 Depreciation and Amortization
  - Rental Property send Schedule E (page 1)
  - S-Corporation send Schedule E (page 2), Form 1120S (5 pages), Schedule K-1 and Form 8825
  - Partnership send Schedule E (page 2), Form 1065 (5 pages), Schedule K-1 and Form 8825
  - Estates and Trusts send Schedule E (page 2), Form 1041 and Schedule K-1
- IMPORTANT: If you file a tax return but do not have W-2's because you are self-employed, you will be required to submit a **complete** copy of your current year Federal Form 1040 Tax Return.
- Copies of all supporting documentation for household Non-Taxable Income such as: Social Security Income, Welfare, Child Support, Food Stamps, Workers' Compensation, and Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF). If you do not file a tax return, you are required to provide documentation of all income received.

\*All documentation received is imaged upon receipt and then destroyed.

Please note:

- Applications are reviewed by a committee in a blind application process (committee members do not see the names of applicants).
- You must be registered with a center prior to requesting financial assistance.
- Incomplete applications will not be reviewed.

Financial Assistance to Families In Need Provided By



Applicants who apply to multiple Saltzman funded programs are advised that award information may be shared with other Saltzman Foundation funded programs.

If you are having issues with the application, please contact FACTS customer service directly at 866-441-4637 and a representative will help you through the process.

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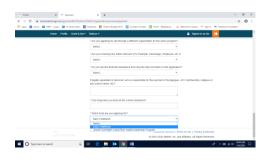


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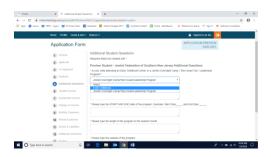
You must select Jewish Federation of Southern New Jersey as your school:



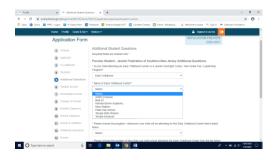
In the Applicant section, you will be asked what fund you are applying for. You must select "Early Childhood."



Under Additional Questions, you will be asked "Is your child attending an Early Childhood Center or a Jewish Overnight Camp / Teen Israel Trip / Leadership Program?" You must select Early Childhood again.



Then, you will be asked to select your school.



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