

2026-2027 Bursary Information



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At CJA, we strive to ensure that financial constraints are not a barrier to families seeking a Jewish education. The information below outlines the enrolment and bursary process, as well as the community-based bursary programs available to eligible families.

If you have questions about the bursary process or available programs, please contact Nick Ross at rossn@cja.ab.ca. All inquiries are handled with care and confidentiality.

Bursary Process at a Glance

Step 1: Complete Enrolment at CJA – Enrolment is considered complete once the signed Tuition & Fees Agreement, 10% tuition deposit, tuition payment arrangement, and Parent Service Hours guarantee cheque have all been submitted.

Step 2: Apply for Bursary Support – Once enrolment is complete, eligible families may apply for bursary support through the Integrated Bursary Program (IBP) and/or the Prosser Parent's Choice Bursary, following the application steps and deadlines outlined below.

Step 3: Bursary Review & Decision – Bursary applications are reviewed independently by the respective organizations. Funding decisions are based on eligibility criteria, family circumstances, and available funds. Bursary funding is not guaranteed.

Step 4: Tuition is Adjusted (if applicable) – If bursary support is approved, the school will revise the Tuition & Fees Agreement to reflect the approved amount and finalize the family's payment arrangements. Families are responsible for any tuition balance not covered by bursary funding.

Integrated Bursary Program (IBP)

The Integrated Bursary Program (IBP) provides financial assistance to families enrolled in Jewish day schools and camps, including CJA. The program supports access to Jewish education and community life in Calgary through a dignified, confidential, and centralized application process.

Eligibility

Eligibility for IBP is assessed using a combination of factors, including financial need, family circumstances, and available community funds. As part of this review, IBP also considers a family's expected financial contribution toward the cost of Jewish education and programs. Families are encouraged to review the income guidelines and full eligibility details in the 2026-2027 IBP application form, available at jewishcalgary.org/financial-aid.

How to Apply

1. Complete all enrolment steps* at CJA
2. Download the 2026-2027 application form at jewishcalgary.org/financial-aid
3. Complete one application per family for school (and camps, if applicable)
4. Submit the completed application to the IBP Administrator, Tabby Khumalo, at ibp@jewishcalgary.org with supporting documentation

Deadline to submit to Calgary Jewish Federation: Monday, April 13, 2026

Prosser – Parent's Choice Bursary

The Prosser Charitable Foundation supports access to private and independent education and community programming for children from low-income families. The Parent's Choice Bursary provides financial support to eligible families attending participating independent schools in Calgary and surrounding areas, including the Calgary Jewish Academy.

Preference is given to students enrolling in the first year offered at the qualifying school. The bursary supports tuition costs (after any applicable discounts are applied), to a maximum award of \$5,000 per year. It is the intention of the Foundation to maintain the bursary award throughout a student's school career, up to Grade 12, provided eligibility criteria continue to be met.

Eligibility

Eligibility for the Parent's Choice Bursary is assessed using a combination of factors, including household income and family circumstances. The Income Before Tax guidelines for the 2026-2027 application range from \$42,000 for a two-person household to \$88,000 for households of seven or more. These figures are guidelines only and are used as part of a broader review; meeting the guidelines does not guarantee eligibility or funding.

Families are encouraged to review the full income guidelines and additional eligibility details in the "Information for Parents/Students" section of the Prosser Charitable Foundation website: theprossercharitablefoundation.ca

How to Apply

1. Complete all enrolment steps* at CJA
2. Download the 2026-2027 application form at theprossercharitablefoundation.ca
3. Complete a separate application for each student
4. Submit the completed application(s), along with supporting documentation, to Nick Ross at rossn@cja.ab.ca

Important: Applications sent directly to the Prosser Charitable Foundation from a parent or guardian may be disqualified.

Deadline to submit to CJA: Monday, March 16, 2026

***Enrolment at CJA is considered complete once all of the following have been submitted:**

1. Signed 2026-2027 Tuition & Fees Agreement
2. 10% non-refundable tuition deposit
3. Credit card or PAD tuition payment form, if applicable, with payment amounts left blank
4. \$360 Parent Service Hours Guarantee cheque (post-dated to June 27, 2027)