Financial Aid Information

As Rivendell is an interstate school district, the process of applying for financial aid is different for Vermont and New Hampshire residents. In both cases, assistance is available through state child-care subsidy programs.

Read the information below to get started. If you have questions, please reach out to Leslie Berger for further assistance:
lberger@rivendellschool.org

Financial Assistance Information for New Hampshire Residents

If you're a New Hampshire resident and qualify for financial assistance, you can receive help paying for your child's attendance at ATB.

The NH Child Care Scholarship provides assistance for NH residents:
- Receiving Financial Assistance (FANF)
- Participating in the FANF Work Program
- Working or looking for work and meet income guidelines
- Going to school and meet income guidelines

How to apply? Go to:
https://nheasy.nh.gov
From this page you can apply for a multitude of services (Child Care Subsidy, Food Assistance, Medical Insurance, etc.)

Recommended: click on the circle that says "Do I qualify?" This will take you to a page where you can enter your information and see right away if you qualify.

Next, you can either apply online by clicking the provided link, or print out a form to mail in. (Or, ask me for the form - I have some!)

If your family does qualify, please be in touch with me and I'll provide you with a Child Care Provider Verification form to submit to DHHS.

Admittedly, there's a bit of a process to establish the subsidy. However, I strongly encourage eligible families to apply! If you need any assistance with the application process, I'll be more than happy to help. Please reach out with any questions.
~Leslie

Financial Assistance Information for Vermont Residents

The subsidy, also known as the Child Care Financial Assistance Program (CCFAP), is managed by VT Child Development Division (CDD). We strongly encourage eligible families to apply! There's a registration process, and you won't hear back immediately, but the agency is reliable and will provide financial assistance for anyone that's eligible. Additionally, if you're found eligible, your child care assistance will begin on the date your completed application was received. So even if it takes a while to receive confirmation, submitting your application earlier is better, as you'll receive back coverage.

If your application is approved ~
-You'll hear how much CDD will pay, for how many hours, and for what period.
- They'll send authorized payments directly to Rivendell
-You'll pay the co-payments which are family's responsibility
(but generally that amount is $0)

Income guidelines can be found on the following page, or at this link:
https://dcf.vermont.gov/benefits/ccfap/income-guidelines

To apply for the subsidy:
- Ask me for a paper application
- apply online at: https://dcf.vermont.gov/benefits/ccfap

IMPORTANT: If completing the paper application,
it must either be mailed or dropped off at the Family Place in Norwich, VT.
This is the local agency that handles the subsidy for our region.

If you have any difficulty with the application process please let me know and I will help you navigate the system.
My goal is that students attend After the Bell regardless of ability to pay! Let me know if you need assistance to make that happen.
~ Leslie

For Vermont residents:

Child Care Financial Assistance Income Guidelines Effective: March 22, 2026

Family size of 3 or less

Gross Monthly Income	Federal Poverty Level	Weekly Family Share
$3,415	150%	$0
$3,984	175%	$0
$4,553	200%	$50
$5,123	225%	$75
$5,692	250%	$100
$6,261	275%	$125
$6,830	300%	$150
$7,399	325%	$175
$7,968	350%	$200

Family Size of 4

Gross Monthly Income	Federal Poverty Level	Weekly Family Share
$4,125	150%	$0
$4,813	175%	$0
$5,500	200%	$50
$6,188	225%	$75
$6,875	250%	$100
$7,563	275%	$125
$8,250	300%	$150
$8,938	325%	$175
$9,625	350%	$200

Family Size of 5

Gross Monthly Income	Federal Poverty Level	Weekly Family Share
$4,835	150%	$0
$5,641	175%	$0
$6,447	200%	$50
$7,253	225%	$75
$8,058	250%	$100
$8,864	275%	$125
$9,670	300%	$150
$10,476	325%	$175
$11,282	350%	$200

Family Size of 6 or More

Gross Monthly Income	Federal Poverty Level	Weekly Family Share
$5,545	150%	$0
$6,469	175%	$0
$7,393	200%	$50
$8,318	225%	$75
$9,242	250%	$100
$10,166	275%	$125
$11,090	300%	$150
$12,014	325%	$175
$12, 938	350%	$200