Johnson City SDA Church Worthy Student Assistance Policy 11/20/17 Edition Effective October 16, 2017

Purpose:

Believing that Christian education plays a vital role in assisting our young people to full devotion to Jesus Christ, the <u>J</u>ohnson <u>C</u>ity <u>S</u>eventh-day <u>A</u>dventist (JCSDA) Church encourages parents to enroll their school aged children in one of our Seventh-day Adventists schools. As a Constituent church to <u>L</u>iving <u>S</u>prings <u>C</u>hristian <u>A</u>cademy (LSCA), JCSDA church financially supports LSCA through a monthly school subsidy. In return, JCSDA church members receive a discounted Constituent tuition rate for their children to attend Living Springs Christian Academy.

Additionally, JCSDA desires to assist families with tuition expense, who qualify for financial need, as funds are available. Therefore, it is the intent of this policy to provide a structured guideline for assisting families in need within our available funds.

Scope:

- Parents and/or guardians applying for Worthy Student Assistance (WSA) whose child will be in grades K-8, will be limited to a WSA amount of \$1,800 per student, per school year, assuming adequate funds are available.
- Parents and/or guardians applying for WSA whose child will be in grades 9-12, will be limited to a WSA amount of \$2,000 per student, per school year, assuming adequate funds are available.
- WSA funds are expected to be used primarily for LSCA education. Other
 Adventist education schools may be considered for the WSA funds when the
 particular grade level needed is not currently offered at LSCA.

Procedure:

Families applying must:

- 1. Be members of the Johnson City Seventh-day Adventist Church.
- 2. Attend services as well as participate and serve in the life of the church family.
- 3. Annually complete an application for financial aid which includes:
 - a. A monthly family budget
 - b. A copy of your most recent Federal Income Tax Return (pages 1 & 2 only).
- 4. Faithfully pay current tuition bills.

As a church, we are pursuing to the best of our ability a wise allocation of financial resources and encourage families in their homes to do the same. The finance committee will review your application at its next meeting and allocate available funds. The table below will be used by the WSA committee for granting WSA funds to applicants, when adequate funds are available.

Income Range	Parent Portion	Church Worthy Student
0-15,000	10%	90%
15,001-20,000	20%	80%
20,001-25,000	30%	70%
25,001-30,000	40%	60%
30,001-35,000	50%	50%
35,001-40,000	60%	40%
40,001-45,000	70%	30%
45,001-50,000	80%	20%
50,001-55,000	90%	10%

Parents with incomes exceeding \$55,000 per year are not normally eligible for assistance.

Parents who experience a change in the income levels that might affect their eligibility for financial assistance must report that change to the WSA committee within 30 days of that change.

What If I Have Multiple Children in School?

Parents with more than one child attending the Living Springs Christian Academy School are eligible for additional assistance. For each student beyond the first, the income bracket above is adjusted by \$5,000.