



Paper Mill Playhouse TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) exists to provide training scholarships to Conservatory students who demonstrate financial need. In an effort to offer fairly distributed tuition assistance dollars, Paper Mill Playhouse offers financial aid scholarships via an application process.

Scholarships range from 25%, 50%, 75% or 90% of the advertised cost of the program.

All TAP recipients are responsible for a co-payment* which is the percentage difference. With the approval of the Director of Education, Outreach and Access, the remaining balance may be paid in interest free monthly installments.

**This co-pay may be waived in cases of extreme demonstrated need or with the approval of the Director of Education, Outreach and Access.*

The sliding scale is determined according to the HUD guidelines for income limits in the State of New Jersey. Income guidelines are based on the national median income for the United States for FY 2023 effective as of May 15, 2023. If new state guidelines are published in May 2024 that changes your application outcome, you may contact the office for an adjustment.

[United States/New Jersey HUD Income Guidelines published as of May 15, 2023](#)

All applicants must complete the Financial Aid application form completely and provide requested supporting documents.

All tuition assistance scholarships are awarded on the condition that the class or program applicants are seeking will actually run, having met the minimum quota for full-paying participants.

Paper Mill Scholarship Income Limits Summary

Effective May 13, 2023

Extremely Low-Income (ELIL) Eligible for 90% Tuition Assistance (as determined by PMP)								
New Jersey								
Income Limit Information	1 Person	2 Person	3 Person	4 Person	5 Person	6 Person	7 Person	8 Person
FY 2023 ELIL	\$25,950	\$29,650	\$33,350	\$37,050	\$40,050	\$43,000	\$45,950	\$48,950

Very Low-Income (VLIL)
Eligible for 75% Tuition Assistance (as determined by PMP)

New Jersey

Income Limit Information	1 Person	2 Person	3 Person	4 Person	5 Person	6 Person	7 Person	8 Person
FY 2023 VLIL	\$43,250	\$49,400	\$55,600	\$61,750	\$66,700	\$71,650	\$76,600	\$81,550

Low-Income (LIL)
Eligible for 50% Tuition Assistance (as determined by PMP)

New Jersey

Income Limit Information	1 Person	2 Person	3 Person	4 Person	5 Person	6 Person	7 Person	8 Person
FY 2023 LIL	\$66,250	\$75,750	\$85,200	\$94,650	\$102,250	\$109,800	\$117,400	\$124,950

Moderate-Income

(Moderate-Income levels published May 26, 2023)

Eligible for 25% Tuition Assistance (as determined by PMP)

New Jersey

(based on local area of Essex, Union, Morris and Warren counties)

https://ahpnj.org/member_docs/Income_Limits_2023.pdf

Income Limit Information	1 Person	2 Person	3 Person	4 Person	5 Person	6 Person	7 Person	8 Person
FY 2023 MIL	\$69,344	\$79,251	\$89,157	\$99,063	\$106,988	\$114,913	\$122,838	\$130,763