**Becket-Chimney Corners YMCA
Guide to Applying for Financial Assistance through Clarity**

We are excited to partner with [Clarity](https://auth.clarityapp.com/en/login/) to make the financial assistance application process easier for our families. Below you’ll find important information to help you get started.

**What You’ll Need to Complete Your Application**

Be prepared to provide the following information:

* Parent/guardian contact information
* Household income (including W2s, 1099s, or other sources of income)
* Basic household expenses (mortgage/rent, utilities, etc.)
* Number of dependents in your household
* Information on other children attending school or camp
Any special circumstances you’d like us to consider

**Important Notes**

* **Note the deadlines**We’ll begin accepting applications on September 1st.  Applications must be completed in Clarity by November 15th to be considered in the first wave of awards. After November 15th, we’ll move to offering awards on a rolling basis until our funds are fully given out.
* **One Application Per Household**Families only need to complete one application, even if you have multiple children applying. Be sure to note each child in the application.
* **Stay on Top of Email**If anything is missing from your application, we will contact you through Clarity. Please check your email regularly.
* **Application Fee**There is a $65 fee per household to submit your Clarity application.

**Frequently Asked Questions**

**What if I am a divorced parent?** If your camper is supported by two parents/guardians in separate households, **each parent must complete their own Clarity application**. This gives us a full financial picture. Please note: information shared in each account is private and not visible to the other parent.

**Are W2s and 1099s the same?** No. While both report income, they are different forms. Please make sure you know which one you receive before starting your application:

* **W2**: Provided by your employer if you are an employee.
* **1099**: Used to report income if you are a freelancer, contractor, or self-employed.

**I’m applying for camp, but Clarity is asking about a school. How should I proceed?**Clarity was originally built for private/independent schools, so some of the language is school-specific. Here’s how it applies for camp:

* **School you are applying to** → Enter *Becket-Chimney Corners YMCA*.
* **Grade** → Enter the program your child is applying for (e.g., Overnight Camp, Starter Cabin etc.).
* **How much can you pay for school?** → Enter how much your family can contribute toward camp tuition.

**Important:** Clarity also asks if your family pays tuition to a private or independent school. Please be sure to answer this accurately, as it helps us fully understand your financial picture.

**Support**If you have questions, don’t hesitate to reach out:

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