A NON-REFUNDABLE CONTRACT DEPOSIT of 10% of tuition is due with the enrollment contract. Deposits for financial aid recipients are reduced (to $250) to reflect their demonstrated need. For international students, a deposit of one-half (½) tuition is required to issue student visa documents. Deposits, credited to the student’s account, will reduce tuition and other incidental charges (see below). They are not an additional charge.

TUITION INSURANCE is mandatory if families select an extended payment plan. The extended plan (ten installments) includes service and insurance fee, as indicated in the enrollment contract.

INCIDENTAL CHARGES are billed throughout the year as students incur these expenses. These charges include books, a few voluntary field trips, and other expenses. The cost usually ranges between $600-$1,300.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM TUITION supports the programs for international students at Athenian. This tuition is required of all students who benefit from the services provided by our International Student Program: transportation, advising, mailing and faxing, student visa processing, admission outreach, curriculum, and the International Program Director. International students are defined as students who fit any one or more of the following criteria: 1) are not United States citizens, or 2) have received a significant portion of their education outside the United States, or 3) in the judgment of the Admission Committee, enter Athenian requiring ESL courses. ESL enrollment is determined by Athenian’s assessment of each student’s English level, including performance on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or another approved test. The TOEFL is required of most international students for whom English is not the first language (www.toefl.org). Fees for international students must be submitted in United States dollars using a check or bank wire transfer.

THE LUNCH PROGRAM provides healthy meals daily. Day students who wish to participate may choose from the following options:

Option 1: Full Year Plan $1,080
Option 2: Semester One Plan $625
Semester Two Plan $650

Option 1 is the best value offered based on 175 meals at $1,080, the cost is $6.17 per meal. A single lunch is charged $7.50.

Meals are included in tuition charges for boarding students.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT MEDICAL AND ACCIDENT INSURANCE is required for all international students - boarding and day. International students must purchase medical insurance through The Athenian School. The school has selected United Healthcare Insurance (UHC). It is a comprehensive wellness, injury, and sickness healthcare plan. Athenian will enroll international students in United Healthcare Insurance, and bill the family. After enrollment in the healthcare plan, the school will send certificates and a personal identification card to every participant.

TRANSPORTATION Athenian encourages all day student families to support our Environmental Pillar by riding the school bus. Transportation fees reflect round-trip service for one year, and student accounts will be billed in October. Costs range from $775 to $1,800. Financial Aid recipients receive some assistance with bus expenses. The bus schedule is subject to change based on traffic patterns, community needs and number of students. All stops are established and/or approved County Connection bus zones in accord with CHP. Non-Athenian students may not ride the bus.

SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR INFORMATION ON FINANCIAL AID
**The Financial Aid Program** offers need-based grants to offset the cost of tuition. These financial aid grants allow promising students, who could not otherwise afford to do so, to attend The Athenian School. This program supports Athenian’s goals of providing an outstanding and distinctive college preparatory education to an academically talented, as well as socio-economically, geographically, and ethnically diverse student body. Admission is need blind. The Admission Committee is not made aware that any applicant has applied for financial aid. Financial aid grants support approximately 23% of the Athenian student body. Not all admitted students with proven need can be awarded financial aid. Financial aid recipients can expect the amount they pay to remain the same each year unless their financial circumstances change.

**To Apply for Financial Aid** you must complete the online Parents’ Financial Statement (PFS) and submit tax returns to School and Student Service for Financial Aid (SSS). Starting on November 1, 2014, you may begin to apply for financial aid for the 2015-2016 school year. The priority filing date for all application materials is January 15, 2015. Late applications will be considered as remaining funding allows. Both natural parents and stepparents must complete a financial aid application.

- The Parents’ Financial Statement (PFS) for 2015-2016 should be completed online at www.sss.nais.org.

Please contact the Admission and Financial Aid Office with any questions.

**Important Information about the Parents’ Financial Statement (PFS)**

- Along with most independent schools in the United States, Athenian uses the forms and methodology of the School and Student Service for Financial Aid (SSS) to evaluate financial aid applicants’ ability to pay. SSS and The National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS) together sponsor this service.
- Carefully and closely follow the instructions. **Be sure to explain all application items for which a required explanation is indicated and describe any special circumstances in the item for comments and explanations.** Failure to follow these directions will cause your request for financial aid to be delayed until all the necessary information is provided and may affect your likelihood of receiving financial aid.
- **Parental divorce, separation or remarriage** is a complex matter for financial aid. Athenian considers the finances of both natural parents. **If a parent has been remarried, we also consider the stepparent,** bearing in mind the stepparent’s obligation to his or her own natural children.

In those cases, each natural parent (and his or her current spouse) must complete a PFS. All information is kept in strict confidence. One parent’s information is never revealed to the other when natural parents are not married. Please call Christopher Beeson, Director of Admission and Financial Aid, to discuss special circumstances. If you have already submitted information to establish your unusual circumstance in previous years, you can assume your situation will be considered in the same way that it was for 2014-2015 (unless your circumstances have changed).

Please refer to the Financial Aid Checklist below and contact us with any questions.

**Financial Aid Application Checklist**

**As soon as possible and no later than January 15, 2015:**

- Complete the online application at www.sss.nais.org, or send the completed paper Parent Financial Statement (PFS) to Princeton, NJ. **DO NOT SEND TO THE ATHENIAN SCHOOL.**

By February 15, 2015:

- Send the following to School and Student Service for Financial Aid (SSS) located at www.sss.nais.org as outlined in the online PFS. **DO NOT SEND TO THE ATHENIAN SCHOOL.**
  - Copy of your 2014 federal income tax return (1040), with all schedules and attachments,
  - And
  - Your 2014 W-2 forms

If your 2014 federal tax return is not available by February 15, 2015 submit the Parent Financial Statement (PFS) based on the 2013 tax return accounting for any changes in financial status or your best estimate. An official tax 2014 federal tax return will be required for confirmation if The Athenian School is able to award any financial aid.