



NLSA Application Process and Fee Structure

To Apply for the NLSA Accreditation Process (NEW and RENEWING Schools):

1. Complete a National Lutheran School Accreditation (NLSA) Application and submit it and the appropriate Application Fee to the local LCMS District office for processing. *(NLSA Applications are found in the "NLSA Application" tab of LuthEd.org)*
**Applications should be submitted for District office approval no earlier than 24 months in advance of a school's NLSA expiration year or the year of their anticipated school site visit.*
2. Once the Application has been submitted for District office approval, the District office will submit the completed Application and payment to the NLSA national office for processing.
3. After the NLSA Application and payment have been processed, the school administrator will be sent a confirmation letter from the national office indicating that their Application has been accepted and that they are approved to begin the school accreditation process.

NLSA Fees and Payment Structure:

Year of Application Fees:	Annual Accreditation Fees:
NLSA Annual Fee: \$700 <i>(Check Payable to "NLSA")</i> Total Application Year Fees: \$700	NLSA Annual Fee: \$700 <i>(Check Payable to "NLSA")</i> Total Yearly Fees (Once Accredited): \$700 <i>*Annual Fees Invoiced in September</i>

Application Process Reminders:

- New Applications are valid for two (2) school years from date of application to the NLSA national office. *(i.e. If a school not currently accredited submits their Application in September 2021, they will need to have a school site visit no later than the spring of 2023.)*
- All Applications should be submitted for District office approval no earlier than 24 months in advance of a school's NLSA expiration year or the year of their anticipated school site visit.