



Tuition & Fees Schedule 2020-21

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	Tuition (per child)	Program/Supply Fees (per child)	Registration Fee (per child)	Fundraising Commitment (per parent)	Parent Engagement Hours or Dollar Value (per family)
3-DAY PRE-K PROGRAMS					
Morning 3-day Pre-K 3 mornings on (T-TH)	\$4,430	\$170	\$250 (max \$500 per family)	\$300	6 hours or \$60
Full-day 3-day Pre-K 3 mornings on (T-TH), 2 afternoons (T-W)*	\$5,606	\$170	\$250 (max \$500 per family)	\$300	6 hours or \$60
5-DAY PRE-K/KINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS					
Morning 5-day Pre-K/Kindergarten 5 mornings on (M-F)	\$7,384	\$285	\$250 (max \$500 per family)	\$500	10 hours or \$100
Full-day 5-day Pre-K/Kindergarten 5 mornings on (M-F), 4 afternoons (M-W, F)*	\$9,736	\$285	\$250 (max \$500 per family)	\$500	10 hours or \$100
GRADES 1-8					
	Tuition (per child)	Program/Supply Fees (per child)	Registration Fee (per child)	Fundraising Commitment (per parent)	Parent Engagement Hours or Dollar Value (per family)
Grades 1 through 2	\$11,114	\$325	\$250 (max \$500 per family)	\$500	20 hours or \$200
Grades 3 through 5	\$11,876				
Grades 6 through 8	\$12,637	\$870			
* Thursday dismissal is at 12:15 pm for Pre K through Grade 5. Aftercare is available on Thursdays from 12:15-2:50 pm for an additional \$600 annually. This can be added to your FACTS account by completing the aftercare registration form.					

Application/Assessment Fees

An application fee of \$50.00 for new students or students moving from Parent-Toddler to an Early Childhood Program must accompany all applications. For students moving from our Early Childhood Program to First Grade, there is an assessment fee of \$50.00. These fees are non-refundable.

Registration Fee & Enrollment Process

A non-refundable registration fee of \$250 per child to a maximum of \$500 per family is due at the time the Tuition Agreement is signed. All three of the following are required to complete enrollment: 1) Registration fee paid, 2) Signed tuition contract received, and 3) Payment info in FACTS is completed or Full tuition payment received. If enrollment is not completed by **March 31st, 2020**, a late fee of \$50 per family, per month will be assessed.

*New enrollees - registration fees are **due by date printed on the original agreement**. If not received by the date on the original tuition agreement a late fee of \$50 per month, per family will be assessed until paid.

Parent Fundraising Commitment

Parents of students in 5-day Pre K through 8th Grade are required to commit to the raffle fundraising project with responsibility for \$500 per parent. Parents with only 3-day Pre K students (no children in 5-day Pre K, K, or the Grades) are required to commit to the fundraising project with responsibility for \$300 per parent. This is in addition to Annual Fund Giving and Artisan Auction donations.

If a current family refers a new family and that referral results in a new student (excluding parent-toddler) enrolling for the 2020-21 school year before January 2021, the current family's full raffle commitment for 2020-21 will be waived. Note: The referring family must be listed on the student's application. If more than one family is listed, then each family will be released from a proportionate amount of the raffle commitment.

Tuition Agreement Change Fee

Once an agreement is signed there will be a **\$50 change fee imposed for each change requested** thereafter. Change fees are due prior to signing the revised agreement. The change fee may be waived in extenuating economic hardship circumstances.

Parent Engagement Hours

Waldorf schools traditionally operate with generous contributions of volunteer hours, contributed talents, and donations from their families. This responsibility not only enhances the function of the school but also strengthens the diversity and fabric of our school community. At AWS we require a **minimum** number of parent participation hours per family based on the program in which their oldest child is enrolled: 20 hours per year for the grades program, 10 hours per year for the 5-day Pre K and Kindergarten program, and 6 hours per year for the 3-Day Pre K program. **For families with children in multiple programs, total required hours are not cumulative but based on the program of the oldest child.** Parent Participation hours can be fulfilled with a wide range of activities both on and off campus. Some examples include: school event planning and execution, committee work, maintenance projects, clerical work, or grounds care. **Participation hours not completed will be billed at the rate of \$10.00 per hour to be paid at the end of the school year.**

Program/In-School Supply Fees

Because of the high-quality supplies used at Aurora Waldorf School, there is a Program/Supplies Fee for each student. In addition to the supplies students use in school, this fee includes: food in the Early Childhood programs; extra Life Sports field trips for the Sixth, Seventh and Eighth Grades; and the Thursday afternoon program, including sports and academics, for Sixth, Seventh and Eighth Grades.

Additional Costs

A weeklong class farm trip is taken in the 3rd or 4th grade and the cost is approximately \$700 per student. Parents are responsible for buying or renting musical instruments in Grades 4 through 8. From Fifth Grade on, parents are also responsible for arranging and paying for instrumental lessons. The Seventh Grade may go on a three-day trip, which has historically cost between \$150 and \$200. In Eighth Grade, the class takes a weeklong trip, which usually costs between \$400 and \$700. Parents are also responsible for tutoring, external consultation or evaluations, and any other special services deemed necessary for the student to perform at grade level. These fees are not included in the fee table.

Aftercare

Aftercare is available every day for students in Pre K through 8th Grade. This program operates daily during the hours of 2:50 pm to 6:00 pm and additionally on Thursdays from 12:15 pm to 2:50 pm. Aftercare can be added to your FACTS account monthly or annually. Drop in rates are also available on a first come first serve basis. Due to limited space, annual and monthly registrations are recommended. Changes to annual registrations are subject to a \$50 change fee. See the aftercare registration form for rates and more information.

Early Payment Discount

An early tuition payment discount is available for those families enrolling their child before the beginning of the upcoming school year and paying in full by check or cash as follows:

- Tuition discount of **2%** if full payment received on or before **February 28, 2020**
- The tuition discount does **not** apply if a credit card is used to pay in full

Payment Options

Unless paying in full, all families must set up a Payment Plan online in FACTS. Below are the payment options:

- Full payment (cash or check) received by **February 28, 2020: 2%** discount on Tuition
- Full payment received after **February 28th, 2020:** no discount, no surcharge
- Two payments (**July 2020 & January 2021**) set up in FACTS - no discount, no surcharge
- Ten monthly payments (**July 2020 to April 2021**) set up in FACTS

Tuition Adjustment Program

The deadline for the tuition adjustment application for CURRENT FAMILIES is January 22, 2020. NEW FAMILIES should apply for tuition adjustment at the same time they apply for admission.

Tuition adjustment (TA) is available to support students in the Grades, Kindergarten, & 5-day Pre K programs. There is no tuition adjustment available for 3-day Pre K or Parent-Toddler classes. All awards are based on financial need. Parents of Kindergarten – Grade 8 students, if eligible, are required to apply for the **BISON Children's Fund Scholarship** (<http://bisonfund.com/our-scholarships/>) in addition to applying for tuition adjustment through Aurora Waldorf School. Tuition Adjustment applications are made through the online application service FACTS Grant & Aid. This helps standardize the tuition adjustment application process and supports an equitable balance of awards. The system has an early and non-rolling deadline. Completed online TA applications, with supporting documents uploaded, are due **January 22, 2020.**

Note: FACTS will accept 2018 tax returns if your 2019 return is not complete.