



Tuition & Fees Schedule 2018-19

NURSERY & KINDERGARTEN	Tuition (per child)	Program/Supply Fees (per child)	Registration Fee (per child)	Fundraising Commitment (per parent)	Parent Participation Hours or Dollar Value (per family)
NURSERY PROGRAMS					
N3.0: 3 mornings, no afternoons	\$4,365	\$170	\$250 (max \$50 per family)	\$300	6 hours or \$60
N3.1: 3 mornings, 1 afternoon	\$4,944				
N3.2: 3 mornings, 2 afternoons	\$5,523				
N3.3: 3 mornings, 3 afternoons	\$6,102				
KINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS					
K5.0: 5 mornings, no afternoons	\$7,275	\$200	\$250 (max \$500 per family)	\$500	10 hours or \$100
K5.1: 5 mornings, 1 afternoon	\$7,854				
K5.2: 5 mornings, 2 afternoons	\$8,433				
K5.3: 5 mornings, 3 afternoons	\$9,012				
K5.4: 5 mornings, 4 afternoons	\$9,591				
K5.5: 5 mornings, 5 afternoons	\$10,170				

GRADES 1-8	Tuition (per child)	Program/Supply Fees (per child)	Registration Fee (per child)	Fundraising Commitment (per parent)	Parent Participation Hours or Dollar Value (per family)
Grades 1 through 2*	\$10,950	\$325	\$250 (max \$500 per family)	\$500	20 hours or \$200
Grades 3 through 5*	\$11,700				
Grades 6 through 8	\$12,450	\$870			

*Thursday dismissal is 12:15 pm for Grades 1 through 5.

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

A registration fee of \$250 per child to a maximum of \$500 per family is payable at the time that the Tuition Agreement is signed. This must be **paid by March 19, 2018 OR within 10 days of the date printed on the tuition agreement** whichever is later.

If all of the following conditions are met, then the Registration Fee will be deducted from the last tuition payment for the 2018-19 school year. If all of the conditions are met and the tuition and supply fee are paid in full by March 19, 2018, then the Registration Fee is waived.

- Tuition Agreement is signed and returned to the Business Office by March 19, 2018
- Registration Fee is paid by March 19, 2018
- Tuition payment plan is set up in FACTS by March 19, 2018

If any of the above are conditions are not met, then the registration fee becomes an added fee.

Parent Fundraising Commitment

Kindergarten through 8th Grade parents are required to commit to the raffle fundraising project with responsibility for \$500 per parent. Nursery-only-parents (no children in K – 8) are required to commit to the fundraising project with responsibility for \$300 per parent. This is in addition to Annual Giving and other fundraising activities.

If a current family refers a new family which results in a new grade student enrolling for the 2018-19 school year before January 2019, your family's full raffle commitment for 2018-19 will be released. 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.

Parent Participation Hours

Waldorf schools traditionally operate with generous contributions of volunteer hours, talents, and donations from their families. This responsibility not only enhances the running 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 Kindergarten program, and 6 hours per year for the Nursery 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: attending parent meetings, community meetings, and conferences, 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 (which includes sports and academics) for Sixth, Seventh and Eighth Grades.

Additional Costs

In Third Grade, the class takes a weeklong trip to a Waldorf Farm School, the cost of which 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. In Seventh Grade, the class goes on a three-day trip, which costs approximately \$150-\$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 above table.

Aftercare and Beforecare

Beforecare is available daily beginning at 7:00 am. Aftercare is available every day from 2:50 pm to 6:00 pm and on Thursdays additionally from 12:15 pm to 2:50 pm. Both Aftercare and Beforecare are signed up for and paid for on a monthly basis separately from tuition to allow parents greater flexibility.

Early Payment Discount

An early payment tuition 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 **March 19, 2018**
- Tuition discount of **1.5%** if full payment received on or before **April 19, 2018**

The tuition discount does **not** apply if a credit card is used to pay in full.

Payment Plans

Unless paying in full, all families must set up a Tuition Agreement and Payment Plan online in FACTS using one of the following payment schedules:

- Lump sum payment (cash or check) received by **March 19, 2018**: **2%** discount on Tuition
- Lump sum payment (cash or check) received by **April 19, 2018**: **1.5%** discount on Tuition
- Lump sum payment received by **July 1, 2018**: no discount, no surcharge
- Two payments (**July 2018 & January 2018**) set up in FACTS - no discount, no surcharge
- Ten monthly payments (**July 2018 to May 2018**) set up in FACTS, with the enrollment month skipped: no discount, no surcharge

Tuition Assistance Program

Tuition assistance (TA) is available to support students in the Grades and Early Childhood programs, excluding 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 assistance through Aurora Waldorf School.

The deadline for the tuition assistance application for CURRENT FAMILIES is February 8, 2018.

Tuition Assistance applications are made through the online application service FACTS Grant & Aid. This helps standardize the tuition assistance 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 **February 8, 2018**. TA Applications received from currently enrolled families after that deadline will have **\$500** deducted from any award. Note: FACTS will accept 2016 tax returns if your 2017 return is not complete.

NEW FAMILIES should apply for tuition assistance at the same time they apply for admission.