



Tuition Guide

September 2023 – May 2024

We believe quality preschool should be available to and affordable for all families. This approach is anchored in academic and economic equity, and our love for one another. In addition to other donations raised by the school, this model results in affordable tuition and a sustainable program with high quality teachers.

Application Fee The annual, non-refundable application fee is \$50 for families whose yearly income is greater than \$50,00 and \$25 if under \$50,000.

Instructions: If you have any questions, please contact the director.

- 1) Find the appropriate chart based on the age of your child, as of September 1st, and how many days a week you wish to enroll.
- 2) Using your annual pre-tax income, please select your **monthly** tuition amount.
- 3) Decide if you want your child to attend Early Risers, Lunch Bunch and/or Afternoon Adventures
- 4) Families with three or more children in the household will receive a 5% discount.**
- 5) Consider additional *Fair Share*, tax deductible pledge.
- 6) See page 6 for information about applying for **Early Learning Scholarships** from the state of MN through Think Small. We strongly encourage those who qualify to apply.

Payment Options for Monthly Tuition Your monthly invoice will be available in the Brightwheel app, which allows you to pay via ACH bank draw, credit card, or debit card every month. ACH uses your checking or savings account and is free to use. If you use a debit or credit card the 2.9% service fee will be added to your invoice total. You can also pay in person at the school by cash or check. Expenses remain constant throughout the year. There will be no reduction in tuition for holidays, illness, vacation or other absences. We require two week's notice if your child withdraws from our program mid-year.

FAIR SHARE Donation All families are encouraged to make an additional *Fair Share* donation to Whittier Wildflowers. All gifts are voluntary and tax-deductible and can be made monthly or annually. These donations are used to keep tuition affordable for all families and to sustain our tuition model. If a family has more than one child enrolled, only one fair share pledge needs to be considered.

Annual Household Gross Income	Suggested Annual Fair Share Donation
\$200,000+	\$1,500+
\$150-\$200,000	\$1,000
\$120-\$149,000	\$500
\$100-\$119,000	\$400
\$80,000-\$99,000	\$300
\$60-\$79,000	\$150
<\$59,000	\$25-\$50



LADYBUGS - TWO YEAR OLDS (must be 2 as of September 1st)

MONTHLY TUITION

Morning Program: 9:00 - 11:45

Household Income	1 day/week Fri	2 days/ week M/W or T/Th	3 days/ week M/W/F or T/Th/F	4 days/week M - Th	5 days/ week M - F
\$75,000+	\$180	\$345	\$460	\$595	\$730
\$65-74,000	\$155	\$295	\$390	\$505	\$620
\$55-64,000	\$115	\$225	\$300	\$385	\$475
\$45-54,000	\$90	\$175	\$230	\$300	\$365
\$35-44,000	\$45	\$85	\$115	\$150	\$180
<\$35,000	\$20	\$35	\$45	\$60	\$75

Optional: **Early Risers, 8:00 - 9:00 AM**

Household Income	1 day/week	2 days/week	3 days/week	4 days/week	5 days/week
\$60,000+	\$25	\$55	\$85	\$115	\$140
\$45-\$59,000	\$15	\$35	\$50	\$70	\$85
<\$45,000	\$5	\$10	\$15	\$20	\$25

Optional: **Lunch Bunch, 11:45- 1:00**

Household Income	1 day/week	2 days/week	3 days/week	4 days/week	5 days/week
\$60,000+	\$25	\$55	\$85	\$115	\$140
\$45-\$59,000	\$15	\$35	\$50	\$70	\$85
<\$45,000	\$5	\$10	\$15	\$20	\$25

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CATERPILLARS - THREE YEAR OLDS (must be 3 as of September 1st)

MONTHLY TUITION

5% discount for families with 3 or more children in the household

Morning Program: 9:00 - 12:00				
Household Income	2 days/ week M/W or T/Th	3 days/ week M/W/F or T/Th/F	4 days/week M - Th	5 days/ week M - F
\$75,000+	\$285	\$375	\$495	\$600
\$65-74,000	\$240	\$320	\$420	\$510
\$55-64,000	\$185	\$245	\$320	\$390
\$45-54,000	\$140	\$185	\$250	\$300
\$35-44,000	\$70	\$95	\$125	\$150
<\$35,000	\$30	\$40	\$50	\$60

Optional: Early Risers, 8:00 - 9:00 AM					
Household Income	1 day/week	2 days/week	3 days/week	4 days/week	5 days/week
\$60,000+	\$25	\$55	\$85	\$115	\$140
\$45-\$59,000	\$15	\$35	\$50	\$70	\$85
<\$45,000	\$5	\$10	\$15	\$20	\$25

Optional: Lunch Bunch, 12:00- 1:00 PM					
Household Income	1 day/week	2 days/week	3 days/week	4 days/week	5 days/week
\$60,000+	\$25	\$55	\$85	\$115	\$140
\$45-\$59,000	\$15	\$35	\$50	\$70	\$85
<\$45,000	\$5	\$10	\$15	\$20	\$25

Optional: Afternoon Adventures 1:00 - 3:00 PM, Mon - Thurs				
Household Income	1 day/week	2 days/ week	3 days/ week	4 days/week
\$60,000+	\$95	\$180	\$245	\$315
\$46-59,000	\$55	\$110	\$145	\$190
<\$45,000	\$20	\$35	\$50	\$65

BUTTERFLIES - FOUR/FIVE YEAR OLDS (must be 4 as of September 1st)



MONTHLY TUITION

5% discount for families with 3 or more children in the household

Morning Program: 9:00 - 12:00			
Household Income	3 days/ week M/W/F or T/Th/F	4 days/week M - Th	5 days/ week M - F
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If you qualify, **we strongly encourage you to apply for an Early Learning Scholarship through Think Small** that is funded by the state of Minnesota. This will allow WWP to receive the full tuition rate for your child and **you will have little to no tuition copayment.**



Eligibility Requirements

County Residence - Think Small awards families who live in **Hennepin** and **Ramsey** counties.

Child’s Age

- To qualify, a child must be **3 or 4 years old on September 1, 2023**, and not yet eligible for kindergarten.

OR A younger child may be considered if at least **one** of the following is met:

- The child is the younger sibling of a currently awarded child
- The child is in foster care or in need of child protective services
- The family has experienced homelessness in the past 24 months
- The parent is under the age of 21 and currently pursuing a high school or general education equivalency diploma (GED).

Income

- Families have an annual gross income no more than 185% of Federal Poverty Guidelines.

Family Size	Gross Income
2	\$31,894
3	\$40,182
4	\$48,470
5	\$56,758
6	\$65,046
7	\$73,344
8	\$81,662
9*	\$88,523

(Note: For family units of more than 9 members, add \$8,288 for each additional member).

- **OR** currently participates in at least one of the following programs: MFIP, CCAP, Free and Reduced-Price Lunch Program (FRLP), CACFP (by income), Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations, SNAP, Head Start, or Foster Care. **(Note: applications for children in foster care must be signed and submitted by the agency worker).**

Here is the link to apply

https://www.thinksmall.org/for_parents_and_guardians/paying_for_childcare/early_learning_scholarships/