



Hilltop Preschool

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Seeds and Sprouts Program for September 2011- June 2012

BASIC INFO:

Hours: 9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
 Days: **Seeds** – Monday and Tuesday (2 day program)
Sprouts – Wednesday, Thursday, Friday (3 day program)
 Ages: 2.9 years through 6 years

FEES:

A. Registration: \$175 new students, \$150 returning students (non-refundable)

B. Tuition for families planning to co-op (work in the classroom):

Program/Days	Classroom Work Requirements	Monthly Tuition
2 Days (Seeds)	2 work days; 1 alt day per month	\$175
3 Days (Sprouts)	3 work days; 1 alt day per month	\$225

Note: Families requiring a 5-day program may enroll concurrently in the Seeds and Sprouts program upon availability. Monthly tuition for concurrent enrollment is \$340 which is a 15% discount off the combined monthly tuition of the two programs.

C. Tuition for families NOT planning to work in the classroom (non co-op)

Only a limited number of non-co-op slots are available per program. See Director for availability.

Program/Days	Classroom Work Requirements	Monthly Tuition
2 Days (Seeds)	None	\$260
3 Days (Sprouts)	None	\$345

Note: Families requiring a 5-day program may enroll concurrently in the Seeds and Sprouts program upon availability. Monthly tuition for concurrent enrollment is \$515 which is a 15% discount off the combined monthly tuition of the two programs.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- A. Work days: Parent work days run from 9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
2 Day program (Seeds): approximately 2 scheduled work days plus 1 alternate day per month
3 Day program (Sprouts): approximately 3 scheduled work days plus 1 alternate day per month
- B. Ways & Means (Fundraising) Obligations: Parents are required to participate in major fundraising events a total of 5 hours per school year. [buyout available: \$300]
- C. Auction Obligation: The auction is the school's main fundraiser for the year. Each family is required to collect goods of a set minimum value to be auctioned off as well as sell a minimum number of event and raffle tickets. [buyout available: \$300]
- D. Job Obligation: Parents are required to maintain a job or a committee position for the school year, i.e. librarian, secretary, fundraising committee. [buyout available: \$300]

- E. Maintenance Obligations: Parents are required to perform 2 maintenance duties per school year, 1 of which must be a Clean-Up Day. [buyout available: \$250]
- F. General Meetings: Parents working in the classroom are required to attend monthly general meetings held the third Wednesday evening of each month from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. All families are required to attend three mandatory meetings held the third Wednesday evening of September, January and April from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- G. Orientation and Philosophy: All parents are required to attend the one-day Philosophy and Parent In-Service Day held before the start of the academic year. Parents planning to work in the classroom must also attend a one-day Orientation and Classroom Mechanics Day (also held prior to the start of the academic year) before they are scheduled to work in the classroom.

HILLTOP PHILOSOPHY:

Our philosophy of early childhood education begins with a school environment of unqualified love, warmth, acceptance and understanding that each child is a unique individual.

The philosophy at Hilltop is based on the belief that self-esteem is the foundation upon which all learning rests. Young children develop it naturally when they believe in themselves, their abilities and their worth. It happens in an environment where they are allowed to make choices, decisions and sometimes mistakes. Learning always involves feelings. Young children must be allowed to freely express their emotions in a safe and validating environment if they are to learn and grow emotionally, as well as develop a healthy sense of self. If children feel safe, they can take risks, ask questions, make mistakes and learn to trust and share their feelings. If they are taken seriously, they will develop the ability to respect others. If their emotional needs are met, they will have the ability to develop empathy.