



**Spruce Pine Montessori School**  
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**2010-2011 TUITION AND PAYMENT INFORMATION**

<b>Program</b>	<b>Enrollment Fee &amp; Participation Deposit</b>	<b>Student Materials &amp;/or Snack Fee</b>	<b>Ten Month Payment Plan</b>	<b>Twelve Month Payment Plan</b>
Toddler	\$150 (Enrollment Fee Only)	\$20 per month	Monthly Only	\$ 525.00 per month
Primary Full 3-Day (T,W,Th)*	\$450	\$50	\$298.80	\$249.00
Primary Morning*	\$450	\$50	\$373.50	\$ 311.25
Primary Full Day	\$450	\$50	\$498.00	\$ 415.00
6-9 Elementary	\$450	\$100	\$516.00	\$ 430.00

\*Priority enrollment will be given to Primary Full Day students; guaranteed enrollment in the Full 3-Day program and Morning program will be contingent upon availability with priority given to Full Day students. Please talk to the SPMS office if the Full 3-Day or Morning program is the only option for your family.

**Explanation of Fees and Tuition Payment Plans**

SPMS offers a choice of payment plans for primary and elementary programs: one annual payment due prior to beginning of school; ten monthly payments due August 2010 through May 2011; or twelve monthly payments due May 2010 through April 2011. Toddler families are billed on a monthly schedule. All payments are due by the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month; late payments will incur a \$20 per month late fee. The enrollment fees and tuition do not include any (optional) charges associated with extended hour programs or summer programs.

**TODDLER PROGRAM:** 5 Days per week, 8:15-2:45; **\$525** per month

Upon enrollment, a non-refundable \$150 enrollment fee is due with paperwork

1. Payments are on a monthly schedule, one month in advance
2. There is a \$20 snack/materials fee per month in addition to tuition
3. All payments are due by the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month; late payments will incur a \$20 per month late fee

**PRIMARY FULL 3-DAY PROGRAM:** 3 Days per week (T,W,Th), 8:15-2:45; Annual tuition **\$2988**

Upon enrollment, a non-refundable \$150 enrollment fee & (\$300/\$450\*\*) participation deposit is due with paperwork

There are 3 payment options for this program:

1. One payment of \$2988 (minus a 2% discount if paid in full by July 1, 2010)
2. Ten monthly payments of \$298.80 due August 1, 2010-May 1, 2011
3. Twelve monthly payments of \$249.00 due May 1, 2010-April 1, 2011
4. A one-time \$50 student materials fee will be due with first tuition payment

**PRIMARY MORNING PROGRAM:** 5 Days per week, 8:15-Noon; Annual tuition **\$3735**

Upon enrollment, a non-refundable \$150 enrollment fee & (\$300/\$450\*\*) participation deposit is due with paperwork

There are 3 payment options for this program:

1. One payment of \$3735 (minus a 2% discount if paid in full by July 1, 2010)
2. Ten monthly payments of \$373.50 due August 1, 2010-May 1, 2011
3. Twelve monthly payments of \$311.25 due May 1, 2010-April 1, 2011
4. A one-time \$50 student materials fee will be due with first tuition payment

**PRIMARY FULL DAY PROGRAM:** 5 Days per week, 8:15-2:45; Annual tuition **\$4980**

Upon enrollment, a non-refundable \$150 enrollment fee & (\$300/\$450\*\*) participation deposit is due with paperwork

There are 3 payment options for this program:

1. One payment of \$4980 (minus a 2% discount if paid in full by July 1, 2010)
2. Ten monthly payments of \$498 due August 1, 2010-May 1, 2011
3. Twelve monthly payments of \$415 due May 1, 2010-April 1, 2011
4. A one-time \$50 student materials fee will be due with first tuition payment

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**ELEMENTARY 6-9 PROGRAM:** 5 Days per week, 8:15-2:45; Annual tuition **\$5160**

Upon enrollment, a non-refundable \$150 enrollment fee & (\$300/\$450\*\*) participation deposit is due with paperwork

There are 3 payment options for this program:

1. One payment of \$5160 (minus a 2% discount if paid in full by July 1, 2010)
2. Ten monthly payments of \$516 due August 1, 2010-May 1, 2011
3. Twelve monthly payments of \$430 due May 1, 2010-April 1, 2011
4. A one-time \$100 student materials fee will be due with first tuition payment

**Enrollment Fee and Parent Participation Deposit**

There is a \$450 registration fee and parental participation deposit due upon enrollment. This includes a \$150 non-refundable registration fee and a \$300 parental participation deposit per one child (\*\*\$450 for two) to be used as a credit toward the last month of tuition in April 2011 based on the level of completion of your parental participation hours at the established rate of \$10/hour (*does not apply to Toddler enrollees*). Families enrolling more than two children are only required to pay the registration fee for two children (\$300) and a parental participation fee in total of \$450.

**Payments and Policies**

Credit card payment options are available. All credit card payments will include a 3% convenience fee to cover the cost to the school. Families who choose to use a credit card for the single annual payment are not eligible for the 2% discount.

**Tuition payments are due by the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month; late payments will incur a \$20.00 per month late fee.** All tuition must be paid in full by June 1, 2011; small claims court proceedings will be filed on all payments not made in full by June 1, 2011. There will be a \$20 processing fee for all returned checks.

In the event that a child is withdrawn, the parents' liability for tuition follows the procedures outlined in the Parent's Handbook for 2010-2011. Monthly tuition reflects a payment of one-tenth/one-twelfth of the yearly tuition, not services for that particular month.

There is a student materials fee due with the first tuition payment due on May 1, 2010 for the primary and elementary programs. The materials fee will cover lunch supplements and organic milk (primary program only) and will cover the costs of materials and supplies needed for each child in the primary and elementary classrooms. The toddler student materials/snack fee will be assessed monthly and will cover the costs of snacks, organic milk, and materials and supplies needed for each child in the toddler classroom.

Additional field trip charges will be incurred by elementary parents. Those fees may include gas costs, admission fees, or other costs associated with field trips.

If finances are a concern, ask about our work-exchange program. Financial aid decisions are made on a first-come, first-served basis. Work-exchange applicants are not eligible for the 2% discount for annual payment in full.

**Before & After School Care**

We will offer extended hours for before and after-school care. Actual hours will be based on our families' needs and program enrollment; there will be more information to come. If you are interested in extended hours, please let the office know so we can include your family in our planning. Both monthly rates and drop-in rates will be available.

**Summer Program**

We are in the planning stages of an all-summer program. Actual programs will be based on our families' needs; there will be more information to come. If you are interested in a summer program for your child, please let the office know so we can include your family in our planning. The summer program would be a separate offering than the summer camps already scheduled.

**Inclement Weather**

On days when the school is delayed due to inclement weather, we will not host before school care. Students may arrive 15 minutes prior to the stated school operating time. If your child is regularly scheduled in our after-school program, please call the school on inclement weather days to check the status of the after-school program. In the event the before or after-school care is canceled due to inclement weather, we will credit your account for those missed days at a rate to be determined (more information to come.)

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