



Davis Waldorf School
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Admissions Information

Admissions Policy

The school accepts children of sound capacities, bearing good physical, emotional and mental health. Students are accepted upon an interview with the class teacher, receipt of previous school records, and compliance with contractual arrangements required by the school. Assessment tests may be administered at the time of the interview. **All new students are on a six-week probation period.**

Application Procedures

In accordance with our aim to provide an education which develops a child's full human potential, it is the intention and policy of the school to welcome students from the broadest possible range of the social, economic, and cultural spectrum.

1. The family reads the materials included in our information packet.
2. The family attends a campus tour and/or Open House.
3. The family completes an *Application for Interview* and submits the forms along with the application fee. The applicant should be age appropriate for the grade to which they are applying. Applications for Fall consideration are available in January, and should be submitted as soon as possible and the deadline is **March 12, 2010**. Subsequent applicants will be considered and processed only as space allows.
4. The class teacher reviews the application to determine if/when an interview is appropriate.
5. Our class teacher calls to arrange an interview with your family. Enrollment interviews for Fall consideration are conducted January through mid-March. Additional enrollments are done throughout the year as space permits.
6. Parent(s) and child attend the interview with the class teacher.
7. On March 25, 2010 our registrar notifies your family via mail of the interview result and, if applicable, provides enrollment materials. When an acceptance is made, enrollment materials are included with your letter. You will then have two weeks in which to make a decision and submit the required fees and forms to enroll your child.

Please note: Priority applicants (siblings, current Davis Waldorf students, former Davis Waldorf students, students from other Waldorf schools, and wait pool applicants from the previous year) will adhere to a different schedule. Please refer to that schedule for enrollment dates.

If it is determined during the interview that your child/family would not be a good fit for our school and/or vice versa, you will receive our regrets via the mail. Should our regrets be due to no available spots in the class, we will hold the application in our applicant pool (we do not use a waitlist) and contact you in the event that a space opens to arrange another visit.

Please note: Our age cut-off date is June 1st. A child must be...

- 2 by June 1st for Preschool
- 4 by June 1st for Kindergarten
- 6 by June 1st for 1st grade.

Enrollment Procedures

After the application is received and the interview has been completed the enrollment packet will be sent. It will contain all the necessary paperwork and information required to enroll your child. Before the child's first day of school, the following requirements must be met:

- All required enrollment paperwork must be filled out completely, and submitted to the office by the deadline listed in the acceptance letter.
- Evidence that all immunizations required by the State of California have been met or a signed statement from the child's doctor that the child is in the process of completing them. You may also complete a personal exemption to immunization form.
- Deposit and tuition payments have been made when due. Tuition payments begin in July 2010 for the 2010-2011 school year.
- For Kindergarten and Preschool Only: a Completed Physician's Report (Child's Preadmission Health History), indicating a current physical examination must be submitted.

Special Needs Children

The education offered at Davis Waldorf School is based on a specific curriculum. The curriculum embraces many learning modalities and styles. However, it is not intended to specifically accommodate children who have special learning needs. Although the substance, cultural content, creative underpinning and social health of the classroom may provide positive experiences for some children with special needs, in the final analysis, Davis Waldorf School has neither the services nor trained personnel required to meet the needs of children with special learning needs.

The school may assist parents with suggestions of local resources and specialists better equipped to serve students with special needs

Thank You

Thank you very much for your interest in Davis Waldorf School (we hope that this information will help you understand our process). Our Administrator, Kelly Brewer is available to answer any further questions you may have. You may reach her at (530) 753-1651 or admin@daviswaldorf.org.



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2010-2011 Enrollment Schedule for New and Returning Families

January–March 2010	Applications Accepted Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) Forms Available
January–March 2010	Enrollment Interviews conducted and class visits scheduled
January 22, 2010	Re-Enrollment Packets Mailed to Current Families
February 15–19, 2010	Teachers conference, office is closed
February 26, 2010	RETURNING FAMILIES: Re-enrollment Contract, \$200 Enrollment Fee per family and TAP Applications are due for all RETURNING families. (After February 26, enrollment fee goes up to \$300).
March 12, 2010	Deadline to Submit Applications for NEW Families
March 25, 2010	Decisions and Enrollment Materials will be sent to NEW families
April 12, 2010	NEW FAMILIES: Enrollment forms, contract and \$300 non-refundable Enrollment Fee per family \$150 for pre-school-only families) and Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) Applications are due to secure child's space
April 24, May 15 and 22, 2010	Tuition Assistance Conversations (one session required for all TAP applicants)
March 29–April 9, 2010	DWS Spring Break, office is closed
July 2010–May 2011	Tuition Collection Period



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2010-2011 Enrollment Events

January 13, 2010	School Tour, (Adults only) 8:30 a.m.
January 23, 2010	Kindergarten Open House , 11–12:30 a.m. Preschool Open House , (9:00–10:30 a.m. and 11:15–12:45 a.m.)
January 27, 2010	School Tour, (Adults only) 8:30 a.m.
January 27, 2010	First Grade Information Evening (Adults only), 7 p.m.
February 5, 2010	All School Open House for Preschool—8th Grade , 6 p.m.
February 10, 2010	School Tour, (Adults only) 8:30 a.m.
February 20, 2010	Kindergarten Open House , 11–12:30 a.m. Preschool Open House , (9:00–10:30 a.m. and 11:15–12:45 a.m.)
February 24, 2010	School Tour, (Adults only) 8:30 a.m.
February 25, 2010	Kindergarten Information Evening , (Adults only), 7 p.m.
March 10, 2010	School Tour, (Adults only) 8:30 a.m.
March 16, 2010	Preschool Open House Tea, 4 p.m. (Tentative)
March 24, 2010	School Tour, (Adults only) 8:30 a.m.
April 14, 2010	School Tour, (Adults only) 8:30 a.m.
April 21, 2009	Kindergarten Open House Tea, 4 p.m. (Tentative)
April 28, 2010	School Tour, (Adults only) 8:30 a.m.
May 12, 2010	School Tour, (Adults only) 8:30 a.m.
May 26, 2010	School Tour, (Adults only) 8:30 a.m.

If you would like to join a tour or visit an open house, please let us know you are coming (530) 753-1651 or office@davis.waldorf.org

Preschool age range: 6/1/06 –5/31/08

Kindergarten age-range: 6/1/04-5/31/06



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Rates, Fees & Payment Schedule 2010-2011 (subject to change)

DAVIS WALDORF SCHOOL TUITION 2010-2011

Grade	First Child		Second Child (20% discount)	Additional Children (40% discount)
	Annual	Per Month July-May		
Preschool				
2 Days	\$3,135	\$285		
3 Days	\$4,565	\$415		
4 Days	\$5,940	\$540		
5 Days	\$7,425	\$675		
Kindergarten	\$7,920	\$720	\$6,336	\$4,752
Grade 1	\$9,020	\$820	\$7,216	\$5,412
Grades 2-8	\$9,295	\$845	\$7,436	\$5,577

FEES

Application Fee: \$50
 Enrollment Fee: \$300
 Class Fund: \$75 K
 Class Fund: \$125 1-3
 Class Fund: \$250 4-8

The Davis Waldorf School is able to provide limited tuition assistance through our Tuition Adjustment Program for children who will be at least 5 years old by December 2 of the school year. For eligible families, the range of reduction is generally between 5% - 50%.

PAYMENT PLANS

July—May 11 equal installments (see monthly rates above)
 By June 30 Pay in full, take a 2% discount off yearly tuition

AFTERCARE PROGRAM

Nap Program for Kindergarten and Preschool children: Aftercare is available M-F until 3:15 p.m. on a regular, part-time or drop-in basis (as space allows). \$11 per day. *

Sunflower Aftercare for children 4 years, 9 months and older: After care is available M-F until 6 p.m. \$4.50 per hour on a pre-arranged basis. Drop-in care, as space allows, is \$7.50 per hour. *

Please note: Kindergarten children who participate in the Sunflower Aftercare program will begin with the Kindergarten Nap program, and join Sunflower Aftercare at 3:15.

*Aftercare price quoted is from 2009/2010 school year. We expect a small increase for the 2010/2011 school year.



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Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) for New Families (2010-2011)

TAP Policy

- It is expected that tuition for your child's education will be a high priority in your budget.
- An absence of income due to unemployment or part-time employment of one or both parents will be considered exceptionally for only one year. In order to provide a fair and equitable treatment to all families, a full-time minimum wage income is assumed for each eligible working parent. Pursuing a higher education degree will not be taken into consideration when awarding tuition assistance.
- Applying for tuition assistance does not guarantee an award. Please consider your options.
- Children who are under 5 years of age as of December 2, 2010 are ineligible for tuition assistance through DWS due to the availability of assistance through a variety of programs. Contact Child Care Services (530-757-5695).
- Tuition assistance applies only to tuition. After-care, fees and other school expenses are not part of tuition assistance.
- In the case of separated, divorced and never-married parents, DWS is not bound by the assertion that one parent has disclaimed responsibility for education expenses. Each parent must submit a tuition assistance application (regardless of legal settlements) for determination of eligibility even if only one of them is applying for tuition assistance. In the unusual circumstance that a parent is unable to or chooses not to provide this information, please send a written statement to DWS explaining the situation.
- If either parent has remarried or has a significant other/partner living in the home, DWS requires the partner's assets to be included on the application in order for it to be accepted. Income, expenses, assets, and liabilities of the entire "new" family unit are considered to determine the parent's ability to contribute to the cost of education.

Tap Process

1. Upon your child's acceptance to Davis Waldorf School, complete all enrollment paperwork, pay the \$300 Enrollment Fee, and pay at least 75% of the first month of full tuition when due. You may pay 75% of the monthly tuition for two months after enrollment. After that, if you have not yet completed the tuition assistance process, you must pay 100% of tuition until the tuition assistance process is complete.
2. Davis Waldorf School uses TADS, a third party company, to objectively evaluate each family's financial situation. **Complete the TADS application on-line** at <https://www.tuitionaid.com>. Submit all required documentation and an application fee (\$29) **within 14 days of enrollment**. You may also request and complete a written TADS Application form by contacting TADS at 1-800-477-8237 (\$32).
3. Fill out the worksheet available at https://www.tuitionaid.com/resources/Worksheet_TADS.pdf prior to filing on-line and be sure to submit all required documentation either by e-mail, upload, fax, or mail. Retain copies of all materials you submit.
4. Respond immediately to TADS for any additional information they might need. Delayed response could reduce your chances of obtaining tuition assistance.

TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (TAP) INFORMATION (con't)

TAP Process

5. TADS results (including copies of the application, the financial documents, any special additional letters of explanation, and tuition recommendations) will be given to the TAP Committee for their review.
6. **Upload, e-mail, fax or mail your 2009 tax return by April 15, 2010 to TADS.** This is required unless you submitted 2009 taxes as part of your original tuition assistance submission.
7. After review, you will be contacted to schedule a tuition conversation date/time. At the conversation, you will meet with volunteers (in some cases, tuition assistance families just like you) to discuss the school's needs as well as your needs and to determine at tuition contract amount. Please remember that all tuition award amounts are completely confidential and should not be discussed with other families.