

HeadsUp!® Montessori Preschool, Palo Alto

FEES AND CHARGES FOR 2025-2026 ACADEMIC YEAR

Fees are based strictly on chronological age, not on program placement. The monthly fees for the 2025-2026 year are:

	Tuition (Any 9-hr Period on ½ hour from 8:00 to 9:00)	Additional Care (per 0.5 hr on Regular Schedule)
36-72 Months of Age	\$2,340	\$40
24-35 Months of Age	\$2,940	\$50
12-23 Months of Age	\$3,575	\$60
0-11 Months of Age	\$3,775	\$60
Extended Care	\$5.00 per half hour per child during business hours only, with one-hour notice and approval by the administrator on duty. There is no charge for the first two half-hour blocks of extended care per month, assuming notice is given and approval of the administrator is obtained.	

A younger sibling of a child enrolled in the preschool or an ELI elementary school, receives a 10% discount[§] on the scheduled tuition. The “Loyalty” program provides additional discounts of 2% per academic year of continuous seniority for children 36-72 months.

Parents wishing to pay for the entire academic year (12 months only) may do so on September 1 and will receive a 2% discount[§] off the regular tuition plus additional care, assuming the child remains enrolled for the entire year. Advance payment will not obligate a family for anything beyond our normal terms requiring a 30-day notice. However, withdrawal before the end of the academic year for any reason will negate the entire discount. Hours may still be increased or decreased; any differences in tuition will be settled at the end of the year. The amount paid in advance will be treated as a prepayment, to be drawn down each month and applied to tuition. Parents will still be responsible for paying incidental charges and additional hours on a monthly basis. Since the billing is done monthly, there should be no interference with either Section 125 (pre-tax spending account) reimbursements or with income-tax deductions for child care. The annual payment is computed by taking the total amount due for the 12 months, including any mid-year adjustment in tuition due to an impending birthday, and multiplying it by 0.98. Indicate "annual payment" on the check along with the child's name.

The tuition fee includes all charges, except for the bilingual preschool program; no additional fees are charged for regular preschool-supplied materials or activities. The preschool does not offer transportation services; field trips require parent drivers, although occasionally, with parent permission, kindergarten children will accompany elementary children on buses at no cost to parents. No other services are offered, or fees required, beyond those listed above.

All children must be picked up on time, unless extended-care arrangements have been made in advance (at least one hour prior). A penalty of \$5.00 for each 15 minutes will be assessed for drop-offs before and pickups after regularly scheduled times. After closing, the charge is \$10.00 plus \$2.00 per minute; the third and subsequent after-closing pickups in any accounting month will incur an additional penalty of \$25 each and subject the enrollment agreement to possible termination. There is a penalty of \$10.00 plus \$10.00 per additional day for a failure to sign out or to correct on the same day a failure to sign in. The returned check fee is \$25.

[§]Discounts are applied sequentially, not additively. Thus, a younger sibling pays 90% of the published tuition; if the sibling's tuition is paid a year in advance, the family pays only 98% of the 90%, or 88.2% (the total discount is 11.8%, not 12% that would be derived from adding 10% and 2%).