

Firefly Tuition Rates and Policies 2016

Our tuition is billed on a monthly basis and is due on the 1st and 15th of each month – for that month. Payments are completed through electronic funds transfer, from a checking account each month either in full on the 1st OR half on the 1st and half on the 15th. A \$25 late fee will be assessed on the 5th and 20th of the month. If your payment has not been received, your child may be unable to attend Firefly until the balance has been paid. Monthly tuition remains the same whether children attend or not. We bill for 49 weeks a year, leaving 15 days off for major holidays, training days for Firefly staff, and sick days. WE DO NOT CREDIT SICK DAYS OR VACATION DAYS, unless special circumstances are present. It is your responsibility to find alternate care for your child on days we are closed or when they are sick. We do our best to accommodate extra days / times needed when you are not already scheduled. We ONLY trade days during the same week and ONLY if we have availability. Please contact the front desk to check for availability and you will be billed at the time of service for additional days / hours. You will be charged according to the Extra Charges section below.

Best Beginnings-As a licensed child care we DO accept the Best Beginnings scholarship. They will not cover your application fee and may not cover the entire amount / day. Contact the nurturing center to see what they cover for your child. Please note you are responsible for paying your monthly copay, and any amount that Best Beginnings does not cover, and these amounts are due on the 1st and 15th of the month.

<u>Monthly Tuition – Full Day 6 hrs +</u>	4-5 yrs	2-3 yrs	under 2 yrs
5 days / wk	\$775	\$825	\$925
4 days / wk	\$625	\$675	\$750
3 days / wk	\$475	\$525	\$575
2 days / wk	\$325	\$350	\$400

<u>Monthly Tuition – Half Day (9-3)</u>	4-5 yrs	2-3 yrs	
5 days / wk	\$675	\$725	-----
4 days / wk	\$550	\$575	-----
3 days / wk	\$425	\$450	-----
2 days / wk	\$300	\$325	-----

<u>Monthly Tuition – 9-12 Preschool Only</u>	4-5 yrs	2-3 yrs	under 2 yrs
5 days / wk	\$525	\$650	-----
4 days / wk	\$425	\$525	-----
3 days / wk	\$325	\$400	-----
2 days / wk	\$225	\$275	-----

<u>Extra Charges:</u>	<u>School Age</u>	4-5 yrs	2-3 yrs	under 2 yrs	Extra Full
Day	\$37	\$40	\$42	\$48	
Extra Half Day	-----	\$37	\$40	-----	
Extra Preschool A.M.	-----	\$28	\$32	-----	
Hourly	\$6 (after school only)	\$6.50	\$7.00	-----	

Annual Registration Fee of \$100 for 1 child or \$150 / family

Half Month Deposit - after 6 months of enrollment, the deposit applies to the last half month of care when notice is given on the 1st or the 15th. It also goes to cover any unpaid balances before it is refunded or applied.

Multi-Child Discount - families receive 10% the oldest child/ren or the child that attends the least.

Late Pick-up Charge - There will be a charge of \$1.00 per 1 minute late for parents who pick up their child after closing time. This fee will be charged on the next month's invoice. Please do not pay the caregiver directly.

Termination of Enrollment - Parents may terminate enrollment as needed, but they are required to give the center half month written notice prior to termination, on the 1st or 15th of the month. After 6 months of enrollment your deposit can be applied to the last half month of care. Failure to give notice will result in the deposit not being applied to the final weeks of childcare. In the unlikely event that Firefly terminates your child's enrollment, as much notice as possible will be given and your deposit will be first applied to the remaining time allowed and any left will be returned, unless termination is due to failure to pay. In this case the deposit will be retained.

Unpaid Balances - In the rare circumstance that there are unpaid balances, we do our best to work out a payment plan that is a minimum of 10% of the balance each month. If payments plans aren't followed through with and balances are sent to collections, all collection fees (25-50% of the balance) are added to the balance.

***Prices are NOT guaranteed! At the time of registration you will sign the current rate sheet. Prices will typically stay the same for at least 1 year if not more.