

TUITION SCHEDULE
North Star Montessori
2320 Midway Street, Columbus, IN 47201
www.northstar Montessori.org

Milky Way

6 weeks - 15 months (7:00am – 5:30pm)

Full Days (7:00am - 5:30pm)	Monthly Tuition
Five full days per week (Monday - Friday)	\$1050

Little Dippers

15 months - 30 months (7:00am - 3:30pm)

Full Days (7:00am - 3:30pm)	Monthly Tuition
Two full days per week (Tuesday & Thursday)	\$373
Three full days per week (Monday, Wednesday, & Friday)	\$525
Five full days per week (Monday - Friday)	\$692

Big Dippers

30 months - 3.5 years or potty trained (7:00am - 3:30pm)

Full Days (7:00am - 3:30pm)	Monthly Tuition
Two full days per week (Tuesday & Thursday)	\$373
Three full days per week (Monday, Wednesday, & Friday)	\$525
Five full days per week (Monday - Friday)	\$692

Cheetah

3 years - 4.5 years - MUST be potty trained (7:00am - 3:30pm)

Full Days (7:00am - 3:30pm)	Monthly Tuition
Two full days per week (Tuesday & Thursday)	\$369
Three full days per week (Monday, Wednesday, & Friday)	\$514
Five full days per week (Monday - Friday)	\$670

Pegasus

4.5 years - 6 years (7:00am - 3:30pm)

Full Days (7:00am - 3:30pm)	Monthly Tuition
Two full days per week (Tuesday & Thursday)	\$369
Three full days per week (Monday, Wednesday, & Friday)	\$514
Five full days per week (Monday - Friday)	\$670

After Care

15 months - 6 years (3:30pm - 5:30pm)

2 days per week (Tuesday & Thursday)	\$156/month
3 days per week (Monday, Wednesday, Friday)	\$175/month
5 days per week (Monday-Friday)	\$200/month

Summer Program – Current Elementary Students ONLY

6 years – 12 years (7:00am – 5:30pm)

Monday-Friday (7:00am – 5:30pm)	Weekly Tuition
Current North Star Families	\$175
Non-current North Star Families	\$200

Summer program pricing does not apply to students until their first full summer after starting at primary school. Those transitioning from NSM to primary school will continue on monthly billing through July 31st. August will be billed separately. Please reach out if you have any questions on billing.

Single Day Aftercare - \$20/day

Single day aftercare MUST be scheduled one business day in advance.

If it is not scheduled prior to the day of service, the “Late Pick-up Fee” will apply.

Single Day Attendance

North Star will offer single day attendance to **current** aftercare students attending elementary school on days North Star is open and BCSC is closed. The charge will be **\$60/day**. For extended BCSC breaks, when North Star is open, summer weekly rates will apply for **current** aftercare students. (Spring Break, fall break, etc.)

North Star offers pick-up from select schools for our aftercare program, based on availability. The monthly fee for pick-up is \$45/child - \$90/family

Annual Fee - \$175/year per child

Our annual fee covers snacks and teaching supplies for the school year. This fee is charged in August and is prorated for students starting outside of August. This fee does not apply to the Milky Way classroom. Students moving from Milky Way to Dippers will also be charged a prorated amount.

Summer Fee - \$100 per child (Does not apply to year-round students)

This fee covers snacks and teaching supplies for SUMMMER enrollment only.

***Families with two or more students enrolled at North Star will receive a 10% discount added to the eldest children's tuition. **
(Excludes summer and break fees as these are already discounted for siblings of current students)*

Application Fee - \$100/child - \$150/family NON-REFUNDABLE

The application fee is due any time before enrollment. The application fee reserves your spot in North Star. Once the application fee is paid, your spot will be reserved until the agreed upon start date. If you choose to not start when the spot opens, we will hold that spot for up to one month past the opening date. If you would like to hold a spot longer you will be charged 50% of the full-time tuition fee.

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LATE PICK-UP

- ❖ Children are expected to be picked up on time.
- ❖ If you are going to be late, let the teachers know asap, via Brightwheel.
- ❖ If you are late, the staff will attempt to call the parents two times, before moving on to the emergency contacts list. If no one can be reached, staff must contact child services after 30 minutes of no contact with parents or guardians. If the child is not picked up within an hour, even if contact has been made, authorities must be contacted.
- ❖ **Pick-up Times**
 - **Non-aftercare – 3:30pm**
 - **Aftercare – 5:30pm**
- ❖ **1st Violation within one calendar month**
 - Parents will be charged a per-child late pick-up fee of \$10 for arrival between 5 and 10 minutes past pick-up time, and an additional \$25 for arrival between 11 and 20 minutes past pick-up time. A \$1 per min charge will be accrued for any time past 20 minutes.
- ❖ **2nd Violation within one calendar month**
 - Parents will be charged a per-child late pick-up fee of \$20 for arrival between 5 and 10 minutes past pick-up time, and an additional \$50 for arrival between 11 and 20 minutes past pick-up time. A \$3 per min charge will be accrued for any time past 20 minutes.
- ❖ **3rd and all subsequent violations within one calendar month**
 - Parents will be charged a per-child late pick-up fee of \$40 for arrival between 5 and 10 minutes past pick-up time, and an additional \$100 for arrival between 11 and 20 minutes past pick-up time. A \$5 per min charge will be accrued for any time past 20 minutes.
- ❖ If there are three or more violations within a month or it is an ongoing issue, a meeting will be set up with the parents, the Director, and the Supervisor to discuss continuation of childcare at our school.
- ❖ **In the event that a caregiver is more than 30 minutes late with no communication, emergency contacts will be called.**
- ❖ **IN THE EVENT OF RUNNING LATE, PLEASE USE BRIGHTWHEEL FOR COMMUNICATION, AS THERE MAY BE NO ONE IN THE OFFICE TO ANSWER THE PHONE.**

FINANCIAL POLICIES

- ❖ Once registered, all rates apply throughout the year.
- ❖ If a student unenrolls before the 15th or enrolls after the 15th, that month's invoice will be adjusted at 50%.
 - **All unenrollment paperwork must be completed before the monthly invoice processes or else the parents/guardians are responsible for the current invoice.**
- ❖ If a student will not be in attendance for 3 weeks, in a single month, the student's spot can be held for 50% of the tuition cost, for one month at a time. This can be done up to two times per year and must be approved by the director prior to the invoice being processed. Please contact the director directly to discuss if this option is needed.
- ❖ Tuition costs are not adjusted due to scheduled or non-scheduled school closures. (Holidays, breaks, inclement weather, etc.) unless otherwise noted.
 - The school calendar will be sent out in advance for scheduled closures.
 - Regarding inclement weather, we will go by the Indiana Travel Advisory. We will do our best to give parents a warning when inclement weather is predicted and will let parents know ASAP about a delayed opening or closure.
 - In the event of inclement weather DURING the school day, we will notify parents, with no less than one hour's notice, of an early closure.
 - **PLEASE BE SURE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION IS UP TO DATE IN BRIGHTWHEEL AND BE SURE YOU ARE GETTING MESSAGES THROUGH BRIGHTWHEEL! THIS WILL BE OUR MAIN PLATFORM FOR COMMUNICATIONS!**
- ❖ Tuition invoices are sent out through Brightwheel 7 days before the due date. Monthly tuition is due on the first. Invoices will receive a \$50 late fee after 15 days. Failure to pay tuition by the last day of the month can result in dismissal from the program, **unless otherwise discussed prior to the end of the month with the school's director.**
- ❖ *Tuition can be paid through Brightwheel (preferred method), cash, or check. PLEASE PUT YOUR CHILDS FIRST AND LAST NAME ON ANY PAYMENTS if not paying through Brightwheel. Please turn all cash or check payments into the office.*
- ❖ If holding a spot after the agreed upon start date, half the month's tuition will be charged. This can be done for up to two months. After that time, the spot will be opened back up and your enrollment will be forfeited.
- ❖ **In cases of failure to pay, the guardian who is responsible for payment agrees to pay, to the extent permitted by law, NSM's expenses of enforcement and collection, including attorney fees and costs.**