Enrollment At Stepping Stones Montessori School 2024-2025

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Do I need to put my child on a waitlist?	No, enroll during our Enrollment Period starting Feb 9. Enrollment is first come/first served. If you need to learn more about our program, please attend our Open House on April 6.					
What is the Early Enrollment Period?	The early Enrollment Period, from February 9 to April 6, places everyone who has previously visited, has a relationship with the school personnel or clientele, or wants to be assured of a placement, on an equal playing field. It focuses on those who have previously made an effort to get to know the school and who are ready to make the commitment to enroll their child(ren). We do not maintain a waitlist until existing openings are filled, usually between Open House and the September start of school.					
How and when can I enroll my child?	 Make an inquiry at learn@steppingstonesmontessorischool.com This ensures we have your contact info for updates. If you are receiving or have received an email in return, you have completed this step. After receiving our reply to your inquiry, should you decide to enroll, email reply to us to receive a link to our Google form enrollment contract. Send a check with <i>September's tuition</i>, plus a <i>one-time registration fee of \$100</i>, made out to SSMS, to 195 Hallowell Rd, Chelsea, ME 04330. You may also pay with a credit card or Venmo (this handle is on the form) You may also pay by credit or debit card, just ask us and we will call you to obtain your number. Accept our emailed invitation to our school communication system, Famly. Create an account for monthly billing on Famly. See tuition info below. You will not be billed again until September 1. You are paying a month ahead with each payment. There are nine payments after your deposit. 					
May I enroll my child for the current school year?	In your inquiry email, if you want to enroll during the current school year, just let us know. We will be in touch.					
What are the yearly tuition rates?	Tuition is charged over 10 months with your deposit, prepaid upon enrollment, applied to September. After the deposit of September's tuition, Famly charges the remaining nine payments a month in advance: Sept for Oct, and so on, until a final May for June payment. If you would like to pre-pay for a full or half year, we sometimes offer a percentage discount.					
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	Tuition Rates 24-25	Enrollment Options	Monthly Tuition	BeforeCare 7:45-8:30am	ts with siblings on monthly AfterCare 3-5pm	Other Fees
	Toddler Program (2 year olds)	5 full days 7:45am-5pm	\$1,100	Include	Included in tuition \$125 yearly supply fee (Parents provide diapers, wipes, etc.)	
		3 half days (Tues, Weds, Thurs) 8:30-11:30am	\$515	BC only \$50/month	N/A	
	Primary Preschool & Kindergarten	3 full days (Tues, Weds, Thurs) 8:30am-3pm	\$715	BeforeCare \$50/month	3-4pm \$70/month 3-4:30pm \$110/month 3-5pm \$150/month	\$125 yearly supply fee
	(ages 3 - 6)	5 half days 8:30-11:30am	\$715	BC only \$90/month	N/A	(spread over 9 payments)
		5 full days 8:30am-3pm	\$830	BeforeCare \$90/month	3-4pm \$120/month 3-4:30pm \$190/month 3-5pm \$255/month	
	Lower Elementary (grades 1, 2, 3)	5 full days 8:30am-3pm	\$715	BC only \$80/month All hours: 7:45am-5p	3-4pm \$100/month 3-4:30pm \$155/month 3-5pm \$220/month	\$125 yearly supply fee (spread over 9 payments)
	Upper Elementary (grades 4, 5, 6)	5 full days 8:30am-3pm	\$715	BC only \$80/month	3-4pm \$100/month 3-4:30pm \$155/month 3-5pm \$220/month	\$125 yearly supply fee (spread over 9 payments)
				All hours: 7:45am-5pm (Mon-Fri) \$290/month		
	Middle School (grades 7 & 8)	5 full days 8:30am-3pm	\$715	BC only \$80/month	3-4:30pm \$155/month 3-5pm \$220/month	\$225 yearly supply fee (spread over 9 payments)
				All hours: 7:45am-5p	om (Mon-Fri) \$290/month	
	All payments are nor	-refundable fo	r any rea	son, including	reg fee and Sept	. deposit. Even if you move!
Are there any other fees?	Beginning in September, for those paying monthly, Famly charges payments for September (for October) to May (for June). There will be an annual supply fee of \$125 added to your payment plan. If you utilize before and aftercare, you can select options on the form for various packages. On top of the September payment, There is a one-time per family \$100 registration fee upon initial enrollment onlysee above.					
Can I visit the classroom?	We apologize that ther will take you on a live					Preschool/K classroom, but we this tour.

	If you are enrolling for the current school year, you may visit the classroom. For PreK and K, your first connection to the school happens at our Open House. If you have already attended an Open House, you may request a classroom visit at any time.
Must my child be toilet-independent?	To enter the 3 year old classroom and up: If a child turns three within the first three months of school, is toilet independent, and separates from parents, yes. Otherwise your child should wait until the next September. Your child must be toilet trained! Our definition of toilet-independent is: child must not have daily accidents and should be mostly using the potty. If enrolling in the toddler program, we expect many children will NOT be toilet independent.