



AppleTree Early Learning Public Charter School

APPLETREE EARLY LEARNING PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

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APPLETREE EARLY LEARNING PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

ENROLLMENT INFORMATION

Q: How old does my student need to be in order to be eligible for enrollment?

A: Your student needs to be three or four years old by September 30, 2010.

Q: Do I need to be a D.C. resident?

A: Yes. As established by the District of Columbia Public Charter School Board, non-residents will be considered on a secondary basis to DC residents and will be required to pay tuition.

Q: Does my child need to be potty trained?

A: Yes. Your child must be fully potty trained before the first day of school, unless related to an identified disability and documented in a current Individualized Education Plan (IEP) or Individualized Family Services Plan (IFSP).

Q: If my student is enrolled, and I want to enroll their sibling, do they get a preference?

A: Yes, we give preference to siblings.

Q: When does the application period end?

A: Our application period ends **March 26, 2010 at 5:00 p.m.** If there are more applicants than slots, we will be holding a lottery on **April 8, 2010**. You will be contacted if this situation occurs.

Q: May I visit the school?

A: Yes, we will host open houses on the following dates:

- Wednesday, December 9th at 9:30 am
- Thursday, January 21st at 10 am
- Thursday, February 18th at 4:30 pm
- Wednesday, March 17th at 9:30 am
- Wednesday, April 14th at 9:30 am
- Wednesday, May 12th at 9:30 am

ACADEMIC PROGRAM

Q: What is AppleTree's mission statement?

A: The mission of AELPCS is to provide young children with the social, emotional and cognitive foundations that will enable them to succeed in school.

Q: What type of curriculum does AppleTree use?

A: AppleTree uses the Opening the World of Learning (OWL) curriculum to guide classroom instruction.

Q: How many teachers are there in each classroom?

A: Each classroom is staffed with a Lead Teacher and a Teaching Fellow, both of whom hold at minimum a Bachelor's degree; as well as a highly-qualified Teaching Assistant. Each classroom has three teachers and eighteen students.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Q: What are AppleTree's hours of operation?

A: AppleTree is open from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Breakfast is served daily from 8:00 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. The instructional period runs from 9:00 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. The optional Extended day program runs from 3:15 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Q: How much is tuition?

A: There is no tuition fee, but there is a meals fee and a fee for the optional Extended day program. Both fees are based on a sliding scale. AppleTree participates in the National School Lunch Program, which is a national meals subsidy program, so you may be eligible to receive your school meals for free or at a reduced price. Eligibility is determined by the Federal Income Chart included below.

	Meals	Extended Day	Total
Free	\$ -	\$ 80	\$ 80
Reduced	\$ 17	\$ 180	\$ 197
Paid	\$ 120	\$ 400	\$ 520

This chart reflects fees for the 2009-2010 school year. It is based on a full month (20+ school days) and is subject to change for the 2010-2011 school year.

FEDERAL INCOME CHART			
For School Year 2009-2010			
Household size	Yearly	Monthly	Weekly
1	\$20,036	\$1,670	\$386
2	26,955	2,247	519
3	33,874	2,823	652
4	40,793	3,400	785
5	47,712	3,976	918
6	54,631	4,553	1,051
7	61,550	5,130	1,184
Each additional person:	+\$6,919	+\$557	+\$134

Your student may qualify for free or reduced price lunch if your household income falls within the limits of this chart. This chart is subject to change for the 2010-2011 school year.

Q: How many meals will my child receive? Can my student bring in their own lunch?

A: Your student will be served breakfast, a morning snack, lunch and an afternoon snack. Meals meet FDA guidelines for school lunch. If you wish to provide meals for your child, you must do it everyday and it should include breakfast, lunch and an afternoon snack.

Q: Does AppleTree have a website?

A: Yes. Please visit us at: www.appletreeinstitute.org

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