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Our Discovery School Board, which is made up of parent volunteers who represent the diversity within our Discovery School community, strives to make the most informed decisions possible in order to ensure the integrity of the academic program, address the financial standing of our school, and preserve the high quality of faculty and staff, while remaining sensitive to the needs and financial situations of our families. Guided by these goals, the Discovery School Parent Board of Directors has approved the following monthly tuition rates for the 2020-2021 school year:

2 Day Classes	\$295	Kindergarten	\$685
3 Day Classes	\$390	First Grade	\$720
5 Day Classes	\$565	Activity Fee	\$80 Annually

Research shows that children who attend high quality early childhood programs where curriculum goals are integrated across all the learning domains, learn more and are better prepared to master the complex demands of formal schooling. Meaningful PLAY is shown to be a critical component of developmentally appropriate, high-quality programs and enhances every competency important to school success. Among the greatest indicators of a quality program are class size, student: teacher ratios, Staff qualifications and family involvement. Discovery School embodies all of these standards of excellence! When you break down your monthly tuition, this level of quality comes to \$10.83/hr for 3 days/week to \$6.85/hr for Kindergarten! Your \$80 Activity Fee covers ParentSquare, your Teacher gifts, supplies for your class Benefit basket, appreciations for our Resource Teachers and support staff, as well as some special events such as Back to School picnic, Dad's Night, Snow Days, Western Week, Fiesta, Week of the Young Child, Grandparents Day and Graduation.

Our Scholarship Committee remains devoted to offering financial aid to families in need of assistance. Scholarship application forms will be available on ParentSquare and/or at registration. Our Scholarship Committee will review each application submitted regardless of where the applicant falls within the financial guidelines and will strive to continue to make Discovery School accessible to as many families as possible. We are happy to announce that we will be able to continue to award an additional 10% in scholarship funds for all Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> Grade scholarship recipients.

If you have any questions regarding next year's tuition rates or how to pursue a Scholarship opportunity, please feel free to contact Mary Stanchak, our Director, or Cynthia Rodriguez, Office Manager. Jen Rames, Board of Directors Treasurer & Sarah Rodriguez, Board of Directors President can also assist with addressing questions or concerns on behalf of the Discovery School Parent Board of Directors.

Sincerely,

Discovery School Board of Directors