

### **Special Circumstances**

The school agrees to make every reasonable effort to continue instruction in the event of bad weather, natural disasters, matters of safety, health related issues, Board of Heath/government agency related mandates and other unforeseen events. The continuation of instruction may require changes in location, schedule, cancellation of breaks and extension of the academic year. Tuition will be required to be paid as contracted for in any such circumstance to facilitate the continuation of instruction.

### **Tuition Refund Plan**

As a convenience to parents, The Summit makes available the Tuition Refund Plan. The cost of the plan is 2.7% of the annual tuition fee and provides parents with the opportunity to minimize financial loss in the event of student withdrawal or dismissal. The plan affords very specific coverage. It is suggested that families familiarize themselves with the circumstances to which coverage applies. Details of the plan, including cost, are sent to parents with the Enrollment Contract.

### **Financial Assistance Programs**

The Summit offers financial assistance to families who qualify on the basis of need. The amount of money available for the financial assistance programs is stipulated each year by The Summit Board of Trustees. Financial assistance is awarded on the basis of need as determined by the Financial Aid and Scholarship Committee. Families wishing to apply for financial assistance may do so by contacting the Admission Office for the necessary procedures and Parents' Financial Statement (PFS). The PFS is also available online at [www.nais.org](http://www.nais.org). The PFS

should be submitted no later than January 15, for each year in which the family is seeking financial assistance. Families who are interested in financial assistance are required to submit a PFS on an annual basis.

### **Merit Scholarship Program**

Scholarships are awarded only to Upper School students. Academic scholarships are awarded to students who demonstrate academic excellence and promise, as indicated from the Scholarship Entrance Placement Test, from past school records and from the recommendations of their teachers.

### **Other Available School Programs and Services**

#### **Piano and Violin Lessons**

Available for students in grades K-12 for \$860 per semester. Music fees are payable for a full semester and are not refundable.

#### **Child care**

Child care is available on specified holidays and certain non-school days: \$30 per half day and \$55 per full day. If interested, please ask the Admission Office for a brochure. Parents may be requested to give advance notice of their intent to use the service in order that staff can be scheduled accordingly.

#### **Before and After-School Child Care**

Child care is available from 7:00-8:00 a.m. and after school until 6:30 p.m. Morning session: \$8 per day. Afternoon session: \$20 per day. If interested please contact the Admission Office for a brochure. Company or business-sponsored flexible spending programs can be supported with receipts according to IRS regulations. Contact the Business Office for details.

### **Transportation**

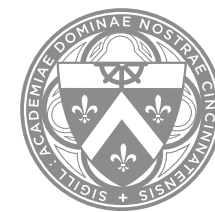
Free bus service is available to eligible children in the following school districts with central pick-up and drop-off points:

Cincinnati*	363-0330	Madeira	561-1366
Forest Hills	231-3335	Mariemont	272-7510
Indian Hill	272-4531	Sycamore	686-1785
Lakota	755-5820	W. Clermont	752-4020
Loveland	683-3103		

Mason/West Chester: The Summit's bus services families in the Mason/West Chester area. There is a fee for this service. Please contact the Admission Office for more information.

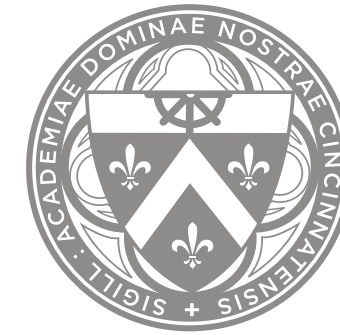
\*except high school.

Other than for the Mason/West Chester area bus service is not rendered by The Summit. The Summit notifies a district of a student's enrollment for the year as soon as the enrollment contract and tuition deposit are received. Parents should contact the district transportation office directly to arrange for their child's transportation and to obtain details of routes and pick-up times. All routes and the availability of bus transportation are subject to change or elimination by the public school district at any time. The Summit is not responsible for changes or eliminations. The Summit will provide lists of families who reside in the designated zip code areas to facilitate the organization of carpools.



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## Conditions of Enrollment

Enrollment for the 2010-2011 academic year is contingent upon the successful completion of the current academic year, and the payment in full of any past due accounts. Continued enrollment at the school is subject to the student meeting the school's academic requirements and complying with the rules and regulations of the school as communicated and modified from time to time and the parent(s) or guardian(s) fulfilling all financial commitments to The Summit as determined by the Business Office.

## Financial Obligations

The Summit has expenses of a continuing nature. Parents are responsible for the full-year tuition so that programs and services can be provided over the entire year. Therefore, it is critical that annual income from tuition and fees be assured.

Students who enroll after the beginning of the first day may be charged tuition on a pro rata basis as determined by the Business Office. No abatement of tuition or other fees will be allowed in the case of withdrawal for any reason including expulsion. If enrollment is cancelled on or after June 1, the parents or guardians who are financially responsible for the student shall be obligated to pay the full tuition and fee charges as liquidated damages.

If tuition and fees are not paid in full when due, the student will not be permitted to attend classes at the school unless special arrangements for payment have been previously arranged in writing with the Business Office. School records to include transcripts and diplomas will not be issued until all financial obligations to the school have been met.

## Giving to The Summit

This year, all gifts to The Summit will total more than \$1 million. Over one-half of this total will provide funds to operate The Summit and the remainder will fund capital improvements and additions to the endowment.

Like all independent schools, The Summit's tuition does not fund the full cost of a Summit education. Charitable contributions provide a critical piece of school funding and these gifts come from every part of the Summit community, beginning with our trustee's and current parents and including alumni, parents of alumni, grandparents and Summit faculty and staff.

The Summit Annual Fund is the most important source of contributed revenue supporting the school's operations. Annual Fund gifts are used immediately to directly benefit Summit students and teachers. For example, Annual Fund gifts help fund faculty development such as a recent national conference attended by many Summit teachers and administrators. Gifts also fund books, technology, art supplies and sports equipment, all of which are so necessary for a Summit education. You can learn more by visiting <http://www2.summitcds.org/annualfunddollars/index.cfm>.

This year's Annual Fund campaign goal is \$725,000. The campaign begins each fall and is led by a team of more than 75 volunteers. Because Summit parents believe in the value of the Annual Fund, The Summit boasts one of the highest rates of parent participation in the country.

## Giving to The Summit (con't)

Gifts to the Summit also come from philanthropic foundations and corporations. Support by the grantmakers is received not only because of the quality of Summit's program, but because Summit families give to The Summit. To grantmakers, these gifts from Summit families are tangible indicators of our families' satisfaction and their belief in the value of a Summit education.

## 2010-11 Tuition and Fees

Lower School:

<b>Montessori</b>	<b>Per Year</b>	<b>Discount if paid by 6/1/10</b>
Three-Day Half-Day: 8:15-11:15 a.m.	\$5,400	\$5,300
Five-Day Half-Day AM: 8:15-11:15 a.m.	\$9,500	\$9,400
Five-Day Half-Day PM: 12:15-3:15 p.m.	\$9,500	\$9,400
Five-Day All-Day: 8:15 a.m.-3:15 p.m.	\$14,500	\$14,300

## **Montessori Toddler Program**

Two-Day Half-Day: 8:15-11:15 a.m.	\$3,650	\$3,550
Three-Day Half-Day: 8:15-11:15 a.m.	\$5,350	\$5,250

## **Lower School**

Grades 1-3: 8:15 a.m.-3:15 p.m.	\$14,600	\$14,400
Grade 4: 8:15 a.m.-3:15 p.m.	\$15,500	\$15,300

## **Middle School**

Grades 5-6: 8:15 a.m.-3:15 p.m.	\$15,800	\$15,600
Grades 7-8: 8:15 a.m.-3:15 p.m.	\$16,800	\$16,600

## **Upper School**

Grades 9-10: 8:15 a.m.-3:15 p.m.	\$17,600	\$17,400
Grades 11-12: 8:15 a.m.-3:15 p.m.	\$18,200	\$18,000

## **Lunch Fee**

Lunch is provided for children in grades 1-4 and All Day Montessori children. There is a required fee of \$595 per child for the school year.

For all these reasons, The Summit invites each family to contribute to the Annual Fund, at a level which is meaningful to them. Periodically, special fund raising efforts will be conducted to fund the schools endowment and raise capital gifts for improvements which will ensure that our facilities remain the best. All fundraising activities, of any size, must be approved in advance by the Development Committee of the Board of Trustees and coordinated through The Summit Development Office.

## Tuition Deposit

A nonrefundable tuition deposit of \$1,000 is required to register a student for the 2010-11 school year. For student accounts maintained current, the Reservation Deposit is applied toward second semester tuition. For past due accounts, the deposit may, at The Summit's discretion, be applied to the past due balance. The tuition deposit is credited toward the tuition obligation if paid no later than the following dates:

**January 22, 2010**  
**All Montessori, Grade 1 and Grade 9**  
**February 11, 2010**  
**Grades 2-8 and Grades 10-12**

After these dates, it is received as a registration fee, not as a tuition deposit except for new students, whose deposit of \$1,000 will be credited toward the second semester tuition obligation.

## Tuition Payment Policy

One aspect of an independent school education is the commitment a family makes to pay tuition. The following is a description of the four payment plans, The Summit's expectations of the payments, and policies concerning late payments.

### **Plan A:**

Pay the full tuition, fees and assessments by June 1, 2010, less the discount, less the \$1,000 tuition deposit. No notice will be mailed.

### **Plan B:**

50 percent of the tuition and all fees and assessments are due no later than August 15, 2010. 50 percent of tuition, less the \$1,000 tuition deposit is due on or before January 15, 2011.

### **Plan C:**

10 monthly payments, August through May, 1 percent monthly interest charged, 12 percent A.P.R. Monthly payments August 15, 2010, through May 15, 2011. Contact the Business Office for details.

### **Plan D:**

10 monthly payments, May through February, no interest charged. Contact the Business Office for details.

Payment plans C & D require automatic monthly remittances of tuition directly from your bank account to The Summit's via electronic funds transfer (EFT). The form to establish this process will be mailed to you from the Business Office. (Music, childcare, etc. will be billed to you separately). Contact the Business Office at 513-871-4700 ext. 206 for details.

If parents do not indicate otherwise, Plan B will apply.

## Past Due Accounts

The Summit charges interest on any unpaid balance as of 30 days past the due date at the rate of 1.5% each month until the account is paid in full.

Any student's enrollment into a new school year is predicated on the student billing account, including fees being paid in full. The Summit will not honor a contract for a new school year until all payments on outstanding student billing balances are made.

The Summit reserves the right to use appropriate collection methods to receive payment on accounts including collection services/legal services and may report unresolved outstanding balances to credit reporting agencies.

Any communication concerning a past due balance is to be directed through The Summit's Business Office. Only the Business Office can make decisions concerning student billing accounts. If any issues arise regarding your account, please contact the Business Office.