



Early Childhood Program Tuition & Fee Quick Reference

2023-2024

Fees	3K (3 year old preschool)		4K (4 year old VPK)	
Application Fee (one time, per child, new students only)	\$100		\$100 (fee waived if applying for VPK only)	
Tuition*	Yearly total	Weekly rate	Yearly total	Weekly rate
Half Day (9:00-12:00, M-F)	\$4,900	\$140/week	VPK only - \$0 with VPK voucher	VPK only - \$0 with VPK voucher
5 Days per week (7:30-3:00, M-F)	\$5,950	\$170/week	\$3,850	\$110/week + VPK voucher
Full Time (7:00-5:00, M-F)	\$7,000	\$200/week	\$4,900	\$140/week + VPK voucher

*Yearly tuition rates are based on 175 scheduled school days. Weekly rates are given for reference only. Total tuition is divided into equal payments based on your payment plan selected through TADS:

1. One time payment with a 3% discount (due August 15)
2. Two payments (due August 15 and January 15)
3. Ten monthly payments (due the 15th of each month August-May)

Please contact the school office if you are interested in a 12 month payment plan (June-May). Each family is required to complete a financial agreement through TADS based on the payment plan selected. K-8 tuition and fees are published separately.



K-8 Tuition & Fee Quick Reference*

2023-2024

Fees	Northdale Lutheran Church Member	Community Member
Application Fee (one time, per child, new students only)	\$100	
K-8 Registration Fee (each year, all students)	\$400 by January 31 \$500 by February 28 \$600 March 1 or later	
Registration fee deposit for scholarship students only, fee balance charged to TADS account	<u>Deposit for Scholarship Students</u> \$50 by January 31 \$100 by February 28 \$150 March 1 or later	
Tuition		
K-8 Base Tuition (registration fee not included)	\$8,700	
Scholarships, Grants, & Discounts		
Scholarship (FTC, FES-EO, or FES-UA)	Scholarship funds will be utilized toward the family's financial obligations before any additional grants, discounts, or financial aid are applied	
Northdale Lutheran Church Grant	Up to \$1,500 per child for Members of Northdale Lutheran Church	Up to \$500 per child for Community Members
Multi-Child Discount	Up to \$1,000 for each additional child in the family	

*Additional details regarding K-8 fees, tuition, scholarships, grants, and discounts are available on NCA's tuition and fee investment schedule. 3K and VPK tuition and fees are published separately.



K-8 Tuition & Fee Investment Schedule

2023-2024

Northdale Christian Academy assists parents by providing an excellent education in a safe, Christian environment.

Philosophy

The tuition investment schedule is reviewed by the Academy Ministry Board and approved by the Northdale Lutheran Church Ministry Leadership Team each year. Our goal is to provide the highest quality, private, Christian education opportunity at rates that are comparable to similar private educational opportunities in the greater Tampa area. We thank the members of Northdale Lutheran Church for their generous support of the Christian education offered at Northdale Christian Academy.

The following information applies to our Kindergarten through 8th grade program. 3 year old preschool, Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten (VPK), and extended care tuition/fees are available by contacting the office or visiting NorthdaleChristianAcademy.org.

2023-2024 Cost to Educate: \$8,700 per student in Kindergarten through 8th grade. This number reflects the actual cost to educate based on anticipated enrollment and expenses associated with operating Northdale Christian Academy. The cost to educate is the base of our tuition model.

2023-2024 Tuition: Tuition charged is calculated on an individual basis and based on any scholarship, grants, or other discounts that may apply. Each NCA family will receive a detailed financial agreement with all applicable charges and credits indicated.

Application Fee (new students only): This \$100 fee is paid when a family with a new student applies for enrollment during the online TADS application process. Application fees are non-refundable and are paid per student. Families with other children currently enrolled at NCA will pay this fee at the time of application and will receive a \$100 credit toward tuition for the coming school year provided the application is accepted.

Annual Registration Fee (all students): The registration fee is paid during the online TADS enrollment process. Registration fees are non-refundable and are paid per student. Registration fees are used to defray the cost of books and school supplies purchased over the summer months. Registration fees do not cover lunches, field trips, uniforms, athletics, etc.

Non-Scholarship Students	Scholarship Students*
\$400 by January 31	\$50 by January 31
\$500 by February 28	\$100 by February 28
\$600 March 1 or later	\$150 March 1 or later

*For Florida Tax Credit and Family Empowerment Scholarship (Educational Options or Unique Abilities) recipients, the reduced payment amount is a deposit towards the full registration fee amount. The remaining balance will be paid by the scholarship or applied to your TADS payment plan.

Tuition & Fee Payment Plans

NCA uses TADS for our tuition and fee collection. TADS helps us streamline the billing process and allows families to see their account information and make payments online. Within the financial agreement you will find your fees itemized as well as any credits that you receive. NCA will also use TADS to bill for before/after school extended care, field trips, incidentals, etc. Families have three options for making payments to NCA:

1. One time payment with a 3% discount (due August 15)
2. Two payments (due August 15 and January 15)
3. Ten monthly payments (due the 15th of each month August-May)

Please contact the school office if you are interested in a 12 month payment plan (June-May).

Scholarships, Grants, Discounts, and Financial Aid

NCA participates in a variety of scholarship programs. These programs are utilized to meet the published costs of education at NCA. Should a family qualify for a scholarship, those funds will be utilized to the fullest extent possible toward the family's financial obligations before any additional grants, discounts, or financial aid are applied. See below for additional information regarding scholarship programs in which NCA participates.

Florida Tax Credit & Family Empowerment Scholarships: The Florida Tax Credit (FTC) Scholarship and the Family Empowerment Scholarship for Educational Options (FES-EO) are two income-based scholarships available to eligible families. Contact the office for information about applying or visit www.stepupforstudents.org. Eligibility for additional NCA scholarships and/or discounts may be affected if a student receives a FTC or FES-EO scholarship.

Family Empowerment Scholarship for Students with Unique Abilities (FES-UA; formerly known as Gardiner or McKay) This scholarship is structured as an educational savings account for students with certain special needs and is administered through Step Up for Students. The value of the scholarship varies depending on the level of need. Contact the office for information about applying or visit www.stepupforstudents.org. Eligibility for additional NCA scholarships and/or discounts may be affected if a student receives a FES-UA.

Step Up for Students & AAA: Step Up for Students and AAA Scholarship Foundation are two scholarship funding organizations which administer Florida scholarship programs. Application information can be obtained by visiting www.stepupforstudents.org or www.aascholarships.org. Eligibility for additional NCA grants and/or discounts may be affected if a student receives a scholarship through Step Up for Students or AAA. Step Up for Students is NCA's preferred scholarship funding organization.

Child Care Aware of America: This scholarship assists qualifying United States Military and Department of Defense families with childcare expenses. Our 3K and VPK extended care program is eligible for this assistance. More information can be obtained by visiting www.childcareaware.org.

Northdale Lutheran Church Grant: The actual cost of educating a child at NCA is about \$8,700. However, a child enrolled at NCA may receive a grant of up to \$500 toward the cost to educate. This grant is provided by Northdale Lutheran Church and the actual amount of the grant will vary based on any state scholarships that may have been awarded.

Northdale Lutheran Church Member Grant: Families that are members of Northdale Lutheran Church receive a \$1,000 grant per child. Church members are encouraged to exercise their Christian stewardship by giving regular contributions to the church. For more information about membership, please contact our pastor or principal. Members of sister WELS churches receive a \$500 grant. This grant is provided by Northdale Lutheran Church and the actual amount of the grant will vary based on any state scholarships that may have been awarded.

Multi-Child Discount: Families with more than one child enrolled at NCA may receive a discount of up to \$1,000 for each additional child. This discount is provided by Northdale Lutheran Church and the actual amount of the discount will vary based on any state scholarships that may have been awarded.

NCA Referral Discount: You will have the option of receiving a \$1,000 discount or a \$500 gift card for each child that enrolls at NCA through your referral. For example, if a family with three children comes to NCA through your referral, you will receive a \$3,000 discount applied to the current school year or a \$1,500 gift card. The new family must make note of this referral when they apply for enrollment. The referral discount/gift card is awarded once the student has been continuously enrolled for a full quarter.

NCA Financial Aid: Additional financial aid is available for families with a demonstrated need and is awarded on a case by case basis. Please contact the NCA principal for current information and to apply for financial aid. Families applying for financial aid must demonstrate they have first applied to the various scholarship programs and provide verification that the applicant did not qualify. NCA financial aid will consider special circumstances. All financial aid applications should be submitted by April 30 and will be reviewed during June with awards being made prior to July 1. Applications received after April 30 will be considered as funds become available.