

Riverside Magnet School at Goodwin University

Facts for Preschool Tuition for SY 2021-22

Per CT General Statutes, families of enrolled **preschool students** at Riverside Magnet School (RMS), whose gross annual household income is above 75% of the state median income, will be required to pay an annual tuition fee. Tuition for preschool students will be determined annually, and cannot exceed \$4,053 per child. Families whose income is at or below 75% of the state median income will not be required to pay tuition.

1) Are all preschool students required to pay tuition?

No. Tuition will only be charged for students whose family gross annual household income is above 75% of the State Median Income (SMI), see chart below.

2) Is the state median income for this year available to provide families an estimate as to whether or not they will be required to pay preschool tuition next year?

Yes. The following 2020 State of CT SMI chart will help families determine if they are above the 75% SMI for SY21-22:

<i>Family Size:</i>	<i>Family of 2</i>	<i>Family of 3</i>	<i>Family of 4</i>	<i>Family of 5</i>	<i>Family of 6</i>	<i>Family of 7</i>	<i>Family of 8</i>
75% of State Median Income	\$61,534.56	\$76,013.28	\$90,492.00	\$104,970.72	\$119,449.44	\$122,164.20	\$124,878.96

3) How often will families be asked to verify their income?

Families of enrolled preschool students will be required to complete the income survey each year. Families must report any changes to their family size and/or income as these events occur. Changes to family size and/or income may change the requirement to pay preschool tuition.

4) What is the tuition amount for each preschool student and is there a discount for multiple preschool siblings enrolled in Riverside Magnet School?

For families whose gross annual household income is above 75% of the SMI, tuition will be \$4,000 for the first preschool student and \$500 for the first preschool sibling. Families will not be charged more than \$4,500 per family for the 2021-22 school year.

5) How will Riverside invoice families for the tuition?

Riverside will invoice families directly for the total preschool tuition amount in August. Families will have the option to pay in full or on a monthly basis either by check or online using our secure online payment system.

6) If a family is at or below 75% of the SMI, how do you ensure they are not charged tuition?

At the time of registration, all preschool families are required to complete and sign an income survey. Those families requesting a tuition waiver must also provide a copy of their tax return for verification purposes. The information will remain confidential and the tax return document will be returned immediately upon verification. If verifying information cannot be provided, the family will be required to pay tuition as specified above.

7) Is there a discount for the before and after school program for preschool families who are required to pay preschool tuition?

No. Fees for our afterschool program are separate from our preschool tuition.

8) Are Riverside Magnet School students currently enrolled in kindergarten - 5th grade required to pay tuition?

No. Students enrolled in kindergarten through 5th grade are not required to pay tuition regardless of family income. The CT Statutory language only refers to enrolled **preschool** students.