

Our Programs

<u>3, 4 or 5 Day Nursery</u>: For children from the ages 2 years, 6 months (by September 1^{st)} to about 4 years; they must be potty trained and weaned. Children may attend 3, 4, or 5 days per week, 8:30am-12:30pm. Class size is about 12 children with 1 teacher and 1 assistant. Classes are held at two locations:

- 1. *Waldorf Early Childhood Center of Santa Monica* located at 1441 15th Street in Santa Monica.
 - Nap Care (12:30pm-2:30pm) / Aftercare (2:30pm-4:15pm) are available for an additional charge.
- 2. *McComb Campus* located at 17310 W. Sunset Boulevard in Pacific Palisades.
 - Nap Care (12:30pm-2:30pm) / Aftercare (2:30pm-5:00pm) are available for an additional charge.

<u>Kindergarten</u>: For children from the ages of about 4 - 6; 5 days per week, 8:30am-2:15pm, Monday through Friday. Class size is between 13 - 17 children, with 1 teacher and 1 assistant. Classes are held at two locations:

- 1. *Waldorf Early Childhood Center of Santa Monica* located at 1441 15th Street in Santa Monica.
 - Aftercare (2:15pm-4:15pm) are available for an additional charge.
- 2. *McComb Campus* located at 17310 W. Sunset Boulevard in Pacific Palisades.
 - Aftercare (2:15pm-5:00pm) are available for an additional charge.

<u>Elementary & Middle School</u>: For children from age about 6 to 14 (Grades 1-8); 5 days per week, Monday through Friday. Class size is limited to about 24 children, with 1 main lesson teacher and multiple specialty subject teachers. Elementary and Middle School classes are held at 17310 W. Sunset Boulevard in Pacific Palisades. Aftercare and enriched aftercare are available until 5:00pm, for an additional charge.

<u>Ages of Children in our Classes</u>: The structure of a Waldorf school is much the same as in most public and private schools. We are careful about enrolling the child at the appropriate level for her or his chronological age. Children enter a Waldorf Grade 1 at age 6 or 7; exceptions are rare, made only on the basis of demonstrated emotional as well as intellectual maturity. We prefer to have the child older and strong in class rather than younger and struggling. Our cut-off date is June 1st. If your child's birthday is near this date, expect the teacher from the lower grade to interview the child. Generally, children readily adjust to a change of grade if this occurs when they move schools, because they are with children the same age as themselves, and are undertaking age appropriate work.

Class	Age by June 1 st	Age during school year
Parent-Child	2 months - under 3 (by 1 st day of session)	2 - 36 months
3, 4, 5 Day Nursery	2 years, 3 months	2 years, 6 months - 4
Kindergarten	4 - 5	4 - 5 - 6 - 7
Grade 1	6	6 - 7
Grade 2	7	7 - 8
Grade 3	8	8 - 9
Grade 4	9	9 - 10
Grade 5	10	10 - 11
Grade 6	11	11 - 12
Grade 7	12	12 - 13
Grade 8	13	13 - 14

The table below is for your guidance. If you have any questions, please call the Admissions office.