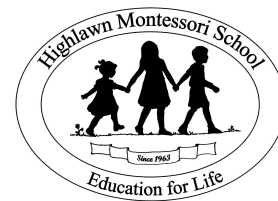


Highlawn Montessori School

Frequently Asked Enrollment Questions



When do you enroll for the fall session?

Current families and new siblings enroll in January for the following school year. After that process is complete, we begin enrolling new families until classes are full.

Do you only enroll beginning in the fall?

Our program runs on the school year calendar and is typically full. We will, however, enroll students if an opening becomes available during the school year.

How do I add my child to the waiting list?

Complete the on-line application and submit the non-refundable \$75 application fee in order for your child's name to be added to our waiting list. A school tour completes the application process. You must tour the school before the January enrollment process begins or your application is not complete.

Can I schedule a tour of the school before I submit the application form and pay the fee?

Absolutely! We look forward to your visit and working with your family.

Can I send in an application without taking a tour of the school?

Yes, but you must tour the school before your application is complete.

How early can I place my child's name on your waiting list?

It is never too early. We will accept a child's application anytime after birth and hold it until the age-appropriate admission year. We currently have waiting lists for Fall 2019, 2020, 2021, and 2022.

How do I schedule a school visit?

Call the office, 913-649-6160, or email the school office@highlawn.org if you have any questions or would like to schedule a tour. Your tour will begin with a brief overview of our program followed by classroom visits. Questions are welcome throughout our tour and you will need to allow at minimum 30-45 minutes for your visit.

When is the best time to tour?

Tours are offered throughout the school year beginning in mid-September. Tours are typically scheduled on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings at 9:15 am. We look forward to your visit and working with your family. Don't wait until the last minute to schedule a tour. Our tour calendar fills quickly and you'll want to visit Highlawn before enrollment in January begins.

Is my application fee refundable if my child does not get offered a space at Highlawn?

The application fee is non-refundable.

Will class openings be filled in the order applications are received?

Applications will be kept on file in the order they are received; however, due to the nature of the Montessori classroom, preference will be given to children who fit the age and gender categories that balance the classroom. Admission priority is given to siblings and legacies whose applications are on file by January 1 of the enrollment year. Only completed applications will be considered for enrollment opportunities.

At what age can my child enter your Montessori school?

Children enter our Children's House Program at age 3 and our Elementary Program at age 6. We follow Kansas State law that states a child must be 5 years old before August 31 to enter kindergarten and 6 years old on or before August 31 to enter first grade.

What is the oldest age a child can enter the Primary Children's House program?

It is most beneficial for children to be in the Montessori program for three years. We enroll children who are three or four years old and will consider enrolling those who are beginning kindergarten as space permits. Priority is given to those who have previously attended a Montessori school.

Do you offer a full day program?

We offer a variety of supplementary programs beginning as early as 7:30 am to as late as 5:30 pm. Please refer to our programs section for details, hours of operation, and program fees.

How do you balance the classrooms according to age and gender?

With mixed ages in the class, we try to keep one-third first, second and third year students in each class with a balance of boys and girls in each third.