

## GRADES 1-8 ADMISSION PROCEDURE

### Get to Know Us

The first step in our admission process is for parents to attend one of our grade school tours. Over two hours, you'll have the chance to see our teachers and students at work in a variety of classes. There's also time to ask questions about the different aspects of our program.

#### **Grade School Tours**, 8:45 – 10:30

Thursday, November 14

Wednesday, January 29 (Snow Date: Thursday, February 6)

Tuesday, March 31

Adults only. To register: [admissions@mainecoastwaldorf.org](mailto:admissions@mainecoastwaldorf.org)  
or 207-865-3900, Ext.103

### Apply for Admission

We encourage applicants interested in September 2020 admission to complete applications by **January 31, 2020**, but we will consider later applicants if space is available.

1. Request a copy or download our admission application form from our website.
2. Return completed application form, along with the \$40 application fee (check made payable to Maine Coast Waldorf School), to: Admissions, Maine Coast Waldorf School, 57 Desert Road, Freeport, ME 04032.
3. Ask your current school to send us your child's school records from the past two years (request or download Request for Copy of Educational Records and Teacher Evaluations).
4. Request a recommendation from your child's current teacher (request or download Teacher Recommendation form). Ask the teacher to send the recommendation form directly to our admissions office.
5. The admissions office will contact you to schedule a parent-teacher interview.
6. The admissions office will arrange a class visit for your child. We've found that with applicants for grades 2 - 8, a visit for three consecutive days is extremely helpful in determining whether our school is right for your son or daughter. We arrange a simpler visit, including a school readiness assessment, for grade 1 applicants.
7. Your application is considered complete when all of the above steps are accomplished.

### Additional Information

**Mid-Year Admission:** We will consider mid-year admission as space permits.

**First Grade Age Guideline:** Children must be 6 years old by May 31, 2020 to be considered for first grade.

#### **Weekly Schedule for Grades 1 – 8:**

Monday – Friday, 8:00 – 3:05

After School Program Dismissal, 5:30

### 2019-20 Tuition

**Grades 1 - 5** \$17,780

**Grades 6 - 8** \$18,870

**Grades 9 - 12** \$21,800

### 2020-21 Tuition will be set in January 2020.

#### Tuition Payment Plans

Plan A: Paid annually: 100% by June 1

Plan B: Paid semi-annually: 50% by June 1 and 50% by November 1

Plan C: Paid in 9 monthly installments, June through February

#### Tuition Support

We strive to create a school community that reflects the economic diversity of Maine. Families who are unable to afford the full cost of a Maine Coast Waldorf education are encouraged to apply for a tuition amount that they feel best meets their ability to pay. Then, through a process that considers a family's income and assets, the school makes a final determination about the tuition that is appropriate based upon the family's financial means.

The deadline for submitting applications for tuition support is **January 31, 2020**. After this deadline, families who are applying for admission may be considered for tuition support but should contact the admissions office before submitting an application for tuition support. Please note that a family must submit an application for admission before their application for tuition support can be reviewed.

We work with a company called TADS to measure a family's means fairly and equitably. Recommendations from TADS are used by the school, in accordance with its policies, to determine an appropriate tuition. Support is limited and typically does not exceed 50% of tuition.

Tuition support is available to Grades 1 – 12 students. The TADS application and further information can be found on our website: [www.mainecoastwaldorf.org/admissions/tuition/](http://www.mainecoastwaldorf.org/admissions/tuition/)

**Submitting Forms:** Application forms may be scanned/emailed to: [admissions@mainecoastwaldorf.org](mailto:admissions@mainecoastwaldorf.org)

If your preference is to mail the forms, please send to:

Admissions Office  
Maine Coast Waldorf School  
57 Desert Road  
Freeport, ME 04032

**Contact:** If you have questions, please contact the Admissions Office: [admissions@mainecoastwaldorf.org](mailto:admissions@mainecoastwaldorf.org) or 207-865-3900, Ext. 103.