THE PARENTS' PRESS

Duke Memorial Weekday School | January 2021

Mark your Calendars:

Jan 4: Return to School
Jan 18: MIL Holiday- No School
Jan 25 & 26: Parent/Teacher
Conferences- No school for
students
Jan 27: Registration Window
Opens for 2021-2022

Looking ahead:

Feb 4: Registration Deadline to retain priority

Dear Parents,

DMWS is excited to welcome your children back from the holidays to a month filled with seasonal activities. We truly appreciate the lovely gestures by parents and children during December. The Holiday Luncheon sponsored by the Parents' Council was so thoughtful!

At the end of January, teachers are excited to meet with you (virtually or outside in person) on conference days to share information about your children and answer questions you may have. Please be sure to sign up for a conference with your child's teachers. Applications for next year will be sent home via school bags this year. If you need a sibling application, let me know. Remind your friends and neighbors that virtual tours can be scheduled to see our program and we invite applications from the public. Information about priority status in the registration process is found later in this newsletter and in our handbook. Applications for Tuition Assistance are available from the office at any time. For 2021-2022, Tuition Assistance Applications are due by May 1, 2021 and are handled by the Board of Directors. Emergency Assistance Applications can be submitted at any time during a school year.

Help us continue to keep our school family healthy by observing the 3 W's- wear a mask, wait 6 ft apart and wash hands frequently.

Happy New Year, Julie





Important Registration Information for 2021-2022

Registration for next year begins on January 27. In order to hold a spot for 2021-2022 at the time of registration, you will pay a registration fee of \$75 for returning students (\$85 for new students). **All registration fees are non-refundable.**

During the week of January 19-22, you will receive an application for each of your currently enrolled children through their school folder. Applications for siblings may be requested from the office. Priority for registration is as follows:

Current Students
Siblings of current students
Children of church members/ministerial staff
Children and grandchildren of DMWS faculty/staff
Siblings of former DMWS students
Children and grandchildren of DMWS alumni
Children of current PMO teachers and DMUMC support staff
General Public

In order to retain priority, your completed application must be received by the February 4th deadline. After this date, enrollment will be first come first serve.

Monthly Tuition rates for 2021-2022

Class offerings for each age level are determined by initial enrollment numbers.

Two's	Three's	Four's and Kindergarten
	2-day 3's - \$235	
2-day 2's - \$200	3- day 3's - \$285	4- day pre-k - \$335
3-day 2's - \$250	4- day 3's - \$320	5- day pre-k - \$370
5-day 2's - \$340	5- day 3's - \$355	Kindergarten - \$405

Did you know?

- Laura Tonkin (former DMWS parent) played holiday music for us on the Tower Bells on Thursday, December 17! The children could listen from the playground and front lawn. Many thanks to Laura for this wonderful gift.
- Chesley Sneed is not only a teacher for DMWS, but also an alum!
- The DMWS Christmas Market served over 400 children in the community this year. Many thanks to those of you who participated.
- Due to inclement weather, the Christmas Story by the church pastors was canceled for December 14. Classes scheduled to hear the story outside on the Sanctuary steps on December 15 were able to enjoy an interactive reading of <u>Goodnight Manger</u> by Laura Sassi.

Carpool Reminders

Carpool helps us get our students in and out of the facility safely and efficiently. Please help us by prominently displaying your carpool tag (with the number facing forward) as soon as you enter the side parking lot. Our carline is a cell free zone. Please do not attempt U-turns on either West Chapel Hill Street or Memorial Drive.



Remind Texting Service

Remind is a free messaging tool to help educators communicate with parents. Parents can opt in to receive texts from the school in the event of an emergency (fire, etc). It will also be used in the event of school cancellation/delay in addition to email notification.

To receive text messages, parents should text @dukemem to 81010 or (828)394-2095. Parents can unsubscribe at any time.

Find us on Google and Review!

Hey DMWS Families- We all love our school and our teachers, so we need your help sharing that with the durham community to air with recruitment to our school We want to continue to keep our classes full with happy, fulfilled kids. By filling out google reviews you can help the school's marketing effort and share our own experiences with families throughout the Triangle. Parents have so many choices when it comes to choosing schools for kids- help them see why we all love Duke Memorial Weekday School!