



Tuition Policies 2011-2012

A Dynamic Learning Experience

The philosophy at Sylvan Prep Academy (SPA) revolves around creating a “non-threatening” environment, with an emphasis on mutual respect. We believe that emotions drive attention, attention drives learning, and learning drives mastery. Offered in a small group traditional classroom or a virtual classroom, students tackle educational challenges in a stimulating environment. It’s a unique program that offers:

Individual attention and personalized learning for all students – a proven approach that helps all students, but can be particularly beneficial for gifted and/or struggling students

Challenging curriculum in grades K-12 that truly prepares students for success in the 21st century’s technologically oriented, global society

A comprehensive Learning Management System (LMS) that makes everything about schooling from the classroom or the home easy for you.

Teachers whose time is truly devoted to teaching because they have fewer traditional school administrative tasks

Our process following registration starts with an in-depth assessment to develop a comprehensive learning profile on each student—a kind of balance sheet that accounts for the student’s strengths, weaknesses and interests. This approach allows us to pinpoint any breakdowns in learning that are interfering with an individual’s school success.

We look carefully at each of the functions of the brain that can affect a student’s learning and performance, including memory, language, attention and the ability to organize information.

We also assess neuromotor functions such as fine and gross motor skills or physical coordination, as well as social cognition—the ability to understand as well as have successful social interactions, and higher order cognition—being able to solve problems, think critically, or reason about oneself and the world.

The tuition rate approved by the Board of Directors for the 2011-2012 school year is based on both the student’s age and a choice of either traditional classroom or blended learning options or a combination of both. Families choosing to pay the entire balance of tuition in advance will receive a pre-payment discount.



Program Tuition Fees 2011-2012 Term

School Age Registration and Supplies Fee (Grades K-2)	\$240	Annually
School Age registration and Supplies Fee (Grades 3-8)	\$360	Annually
Tuition K-2th Grade (180 day school term paid in 12 payments)	\$370	
Tuition 3rd-8th Grade (180 day school term paid in 12 payments)	\$360	Monthly
Intersession and Snow Day Care	\$ 20	Daily

Kindergarten through 8th grades are a full-time traditional classroom or a blended learning option combination is available tailored to your specifications. We also offer a sibling discount for multiple enrollments from the same family.

Contracts are required for K through 8th grade. Tuition may also be financed at a lower monthly payment with a low cost student education loan program.

Registration and supplies fee includes curriculum set-up, and textbook fee and may be paid with your tax-deductible donation. It does not include field trip admission or physical education activity fees.

Technology: A laptop computer is required for each student in 5th-8th grade. The center provides wireless connectivity for printing and Internet access. A low-cost lease/purchase is available.

Payment Options: As soon as an offer of admission has been extended and accepted, the non-refundable registration, curriculum set-up, and supplies fee must be made to secure the student's place. Tuition for K – 8th grade includes snacks and milk at lunch.

Since PLA is a 501C3 non-profit entity your \$600 tax-deductible donation of tuition qualifies as a taxable exempt donation. School age parents may also elect to deduct \$40 weekly x 36 weeks or \$1,440 as after school child care tax deduction.

