#### **SRW GAELC**

# **Financial Policies**

Policies also apply to GAELC Camp and SRW Camp Programs.

# **General Tuition Policies**

- All families will be pre-billed for tuition.
- All tuition and fees will be paid through Brightwheel.
- Auto-pay through Brightwheel is required for all tuition accounts.
- Monthly billing plans for Academic Programs will begin in August and end in April.
- Bi-Weekly billing plans will begin 2 weeks before the child's first scheduled day of attendance.
- Weekly billing plans will begin 1 week before the child's first scheduled day of attendance.
- Payment date for monthly billing plans will be set for the 15th of each month unless a family requests another date at the time of registration.
- Part-Time families will be billed hourly based on a consistent, pre-arranged schedule. No credit will be given for unused hours.

# **Tuition Payment Options**

Academic Programs:

Junior and Little Angels Full Time (8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., Monday-Friday): \$4995 per year

9 Monthly payments of \$555

20 Bi-Weekly payments of \$249.75

40 Weekly payments of \$124.87

Little Angels (Part Time: 8:00-11:00 a.m., Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday): \$1800 per year

9 Monthly payments of \$200

20 Bi-Weekly payments of \$90

40 Weekly payments of \$45

### Child Care Programs:

Infant/Baby Angels (Full Time): \$275 per week

Weekly Payments of \$275

Bi-Weekly Payments of \$550

Toddler/Wee Angels (Full Time): \$250 per week

Weekly Payments of \$250

Bi-Weekly Payments of \$500

Infant/Baby Angels (Part Time): \$9 per hour

Families may choose a weekly or bi-weekly billing plan

Toddler/Wee Angels (Part Time): \$8 per hour

Families may choose a weekly or bi-weekly billing plan

GAELC Camp:

Full-Time: \$225 per week Part-Time: \$8 per hour

SRW Camp: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., Monday-Friday

Families may choose a weekly or bi-weekly billing plan

\$160/week for 1 child

\$150/week, per child, for 2 children

\$140/week, per child, for 3 or more children

SRW Camp Extended Care: Additional \$75/week per child

SRW Camp Part-Time

Families may choose a weekly or bi-weekly billing plan

\$40/day for Camp only (9 a.m. - 3 p.m.)

\$55/day for Camp and Extended Care (7 a.m. - 5 p.m.)

## <u>Absences</u>

No tuition credits will be given for a child who is absent in either the Academic Programs, Child Care Programs or Camp Programs.

# After Care

After Care is available for students in the Academic Programs at a rate of \$6 per hour. After Care is available from 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. on all days that the Academic Programs are in session. After Care is the only program that will be post-billed through Brightwheel. Each Monday, After Care fees from the previous week will be added to students' Brightwheel accounts. After care fees are non-refundable.

# **Application Fees**

A \$100 application fee is required for all new applicants in Child Care and Academic Programs. If a previously enrolled child is re-applying to GAELC, a \$50 reactivation fee will replace the application fee. Application and reactivation fees are non-refundable.

### **Delinguent Tuition**

In addition to any other remedies provided by law, GAELC, at its discretion, may enforce any or all of the following for students whose tuition is not current.

- Registration for the next school year will not be permitted.
- No records, transfers, or report cards will be forwarded.
- If a family has outstanding tuition from the previous school year, their child(ren) will not be permitted to start the new school year. Registration and readmission are contingent upon all financial obligations being met.
- If a family's tuition account is delinquent for two consecutive months, their child(ren) will not be permitted to attend until payment is received.

### **Discounts**

- All Academic Programs qualify for a 3% discount if tuition is paid in full by July 15.
  Payment must be made with cash or check to qualify for the discount.
- Families with multiple students enrolled at GAELC will receive 15% off the oldest child's rate. Both students must be enrolled a minimum of 10 hours per week.
- Children of SRW/GAELC Employees will receive 15% off each child enrolled.
- Children of Diocesan Employees will receive 10% off each child enrolled.

## **Early Childhood Education Grant**

As a result of our excellent ratings, GAELC qualifies for Early Childhood Education (ECE) Grants. This is a financial need based scholarship and is targeted for Preschool aged children who turn 4 years old by August 1 (Junior Angels class).

GAELC receives a predetermined amount of grants each year. Grants will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis. Applications for this grant will be accepted beginning in February of each year.

On November 1, if any unused grants are remaining, families in the Little Angels class may submit a grant application.

The previous year's tax return and a minimum of 2 consecutive pay stubs for any adult living in the home are required for the grant application.

The ECE Grant covers tuition for the 9-month Academic Program only. Families on the ECE Grant will not be charged enrollment fees. All other fees (After Care, Home Away From Home, Late Payment, etc.) still apply. The tuition scale for this grant is based on the Federal Poverty Guidelines and is listed below.

Between 186% and 200% Poverty Level: \$990/year (9 payments of \$110) Between 176% and 185% Poverty Level: \$792/year (9 payments of \$88)

Between 151% and 175% Poverty Level: \$594/year (9 payments of \$66)

Between 126% and 150% Poverty Level: \$396/year (9 payments of \$44)

Between 101% and 125% Poverty Level: \$198/year (9 payments of \$22)

100% Poverty Level and below: no tuition

# Financial Aid

For any child in the Junior or Little Angels program seeking financial assistance, the ECE Grant application must be completed. Ms. Cosgriff will review the application and corresponding documentation. For families that will likely qualify for the grant, no further financial aid is needed. If a family does not qualify, the application information will be used to determine the level of financial aid that we are able to provide.

Financial aid is not available for children in Child Care Programs.

# **Holding Fee**

If a family chooses to apply for a space in the Child Care program more than 4 weeks before the date the child is to begin care, a holding fee will be charged at a rate of \$25 per week. Spaces may be held for no more than 3 months. This fee is non-refundable should the family decide not

to enroll. At the time of application, a financial contract will be signed, via Brightwheel, to agree to this fee.

# <u>Holidays</u>

GAELC will be closed on the following holidays. These dates have been calculated into the full-time tuition price for child care programs.

- New Years Day
- Good Friday
- Easter Monday
- Memorial Day
- Independence Day
- Professional Development Days (3 business days before Labor Day)
- Labor Day
- Election Day
- Thanksgiving Day
- Friday after Thanksgiving
- Christmas Eve Day
- Christmas Day
- New Year's Eve Day

Students in GAELC Camp and SRW Camp will be credited for Memorial Day and Independence Day. Reimbursement rates will be as follows:

- GAELC Camp full-time students will be credited \$40 per day.
- GAELC Camp part-time students will be credited the amount owed for their schedule on the day closed.
- SRW Camp (camp only) students will be credited \$30 per day.
- SRW Camp (camp only) students participating in the extended day program will be credited an additional \$15 per day.
- SRW Camp part-time students will be credited the amount owed for their schedule on the day closed.

## **Home Away From Home**

Students in the Little and Junior Angels program may enroll in Home Away From Home (HAFH) care on calamity (snow) days and specific days that the academic programs are closed. The program will also be available on days that the academic program has an early dismissal. Charges for these days will be added to the student's Brightwheel billing account at a rate of \$6/hour.

A registration form will be sent home monthly to sign-up for HAFH days. Charges will be based on the hours a child is scheduled to attend HAFH. No credit will be given for absences or early-departure. HAFH fees are non-refundable.

#### **Late and Returned Payment Fees**

Any payment not submitted by the Brightwheel due date, and any payment returned, is subject to a \$35 fee.

Families with frequent returned payments may be subject to removal from the program.

### Late Pick-up Fee

Families in the Academic Program, who are not enrolled in After Care, must pick-up their child by 3:00 p.m. After this time, a \$1/minute late fee will be charged. Payment is due via Brightwheel.

Families using After Care, families in the GAELC Camp, and families in the Child Care programs must pick-up their child by 6:00 p.m. After this time, a \$1/minute late fee will be charged. Payment is due via Brightwheel.

SRW Camp Students not enrolled in the extended day must be picked up by 3:10 PM. Beginning at 3:11 PM, a \$1/minute late pick-up fee will be accrued until the child is checked out. The charge will be added to your Brightwheel billing account. Students enrolled in the extended day must be picked up by 5:00 PM. Beginning at 5:01 PM, a \$1/minute late pick-up fee will be accrued until the child is checked out. The charge will be added to your Brightwheel billing account.

Consistent late-pickups will result in a conference with the Administration.

### Non-Scheduled Days

We understand that situations arise that require part-time students to attend GAELC on a day not included in their schedule. If we have space, we are always willing to accommodate families that need to add a day or switch days around. However, if your child is in attendance in a day that is not part of their normal schedule, you will be charged \$10/hour for that day.

### **Re-Enrollment**

Re-Enrollment for current families in the Academic Programs begins on February 1st of each year. After March 1st, spaces for the next year can no longer be guaranteed. There is a \$25 fee for any student enrolling in an Academic Program. This fee is due at the time of enrollment. Re-enrollment fees are non-refundable.

### **Vacation**

If arranged at least 2 weeks prior to absence, tuition plans for students in the Child Care Programs, SRW Camp, and GAELC Camp may be credited for up to one week per year for vacation.

- GAELC Camp full-time students will be credited \$40 per day.
- GAELC Camp part-time students will be credited the amount owed for their schedule on the days excused.
- SRW Camp (camp only) students will be credited \$30 per day.
- SRW Camp (camp only) students participating in the extended day program will be credited an additional \$15 per day.
- SRW Camp part-time students will be credited the amount owed for their schedule on the days excused.