



2018-19 Tuition, Fees, Discounts, & Financial Aid

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN ACADEMY'S
ELEMENTARY & MIDDLE SCHOOL**



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At The Academy, our mission is to ignite a passion for learning in every student by providing an academically challenging program, which integrates faith into all parts of the educational environment. With highly qualified teachers to guide them, students are encouraged to pursue their passions in safe, nurturing environment.

We believe the value of Christian education is priceless, but we also understand that private school tuition can be a financial burden for families. Therefore, we do everything possible to keep tuition low, to eliminate additional fees, and to offer financial aid to those who need it most.

Tuition Schedule		
Program	Monthly Tuition (10 Monthly Payments)	Annual Tuition (*includes 2% discount)
Kindergarten (K-5)	\$625	\$6125
Kindergarten (K-6)	\$725	\$7105
Grades 1-5	\$860	\$8428
Grades 6-8	\$880	\$8624
<i>All additional discounts and fees can be found below.</i>		

Payment Options

Tuition and most fees for The Academy are billed by *Smart Tuition Company*. Parents must register each year either by mail or online.

Payments may be made by phone, mail, automatic ACH deduction (10th of each month), or online at parents.smarttuition.com

Payment	Due Date
Full Annual Payment (*2% Discount)	August 1
Semi-Annual Payments (*1% Discount)	50% by August 1 50% by January 1
Monthly Installments	August - May; Monthly

Additional Fees

In addition to low tuition, The Academy avoids hitting parents with excessive fees throughout the school year. Therefore, many of the 'Additional Fees' traditionally charged by private schools are entirely *included in tuition*, as seen on the following Fee Schedule.

Fee Schedule			
Fee	Required	Amount	Due
Application Fee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Covers cost of enrollment testing Adds student to wait list, when applicable 	Yes <i>(New Students Only)</i>	\$75	-
Registration Fee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Used to purchase books & necessary curriculum supplies for each student 	Yes	\$300	Upon Enrollment
Supply Fee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fee covers paper, pencils, notebooks, and all consumable school supplies. Also includes yearbook and field day t-shirt. 	Yes	\$100	\$50 – Aug. \$50 – Jan.
Technology Fee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All costs associated with use of computers, internet, etc. is included in tuition. Middle School students 'rent' chrome books. 	Yes	K5-5th – \$0 6 th -8 th – \$100	\$50 – Aug. \$50 – Jan.
Local Fieldtrips (K-5—8th) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Many classes attend shows at the Peace Center, local farms, etc. 	Yes	\$0-50	Upon Request of Teacher
Overnight Fieldtrips (4th—8th) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Classes have traveled to Washington DC, Charleston, Florida & more Fundraisers will reduce final cost. 	Optional	\$150-650	Upon Request of Teacher
Athletic Participation Fee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fee used to purchase jerseys, supplies, etc. 	Optional	\$25/sport	Varies by Sport
After-School Enrichment Zone <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rate sheet available for after-school extracurriculars, such as Jr. Robotics Club or Horseback Riding 	Optional	\$0-385	Varies by Activity
LEAP Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some academically-gifted students will be offered enrollment into an honors course. 	By Placement Only	\$0	-
School Play Participation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All set and supply costs are included in tuition. 		\$0	-
Visual Art Supply Fee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sketchbooks, paints, paper, etc. are included in tuition. 		\$0	-
STEM Lab Supply Fee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All supplies & softwares used in the STEM lab are included in tuition. 		\$0	-
Book Fee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Textbooks & library access are included in tuition. 		\$0	-

Discounts (for Elementary & Middle School)

Despite every effort to keep tuition affordable for all Christian families, sometimes the cost is still too much of a burden. Therefore, we offer a wide variety of discounts and need-based financial aid, as outlined below.

Discount	Amount
**Semiannual Payment (Due August 1 & January 1)	1%
*Annual Payment (due August 1)	2%
Members of First Presbyterian Church of Greenville	10%
Multi-Child Discount (households with multiple children enrolled at The Academy)	5%

Financial Aid

When the discounts are not enough to ease the financial burden of private school tuition, we encourage families to take advantage of Financial Aid. The amount of assistance is determined through a third-party software called FAST (Financial Aid for School Tuition). Additional information can be found online at ismfast.com or on our website.

To access the application for financial aid, simply visit firstpresbyterianacademy.org/, then navigate to *Admissions > Tuition & Forms > "FAST" Link* (in right-hand column).

All Financial aid applications must be submitted online by May 31, 2018 for the 2018-19 school year. Once all applications are processed and financial decisions are made, families will be notified of their amount of aid.

Additional Policies

Delinquencies: A late fee of \$50 will be assessed if payment is received after the 15th of the month. Delinquencies exceeding 30 days require a consultation with an administrator. Records and transcripts will only be forwarded to another school once fully paid.

Refunds: All tuition and fees are non-refundable. However, Full and Semi-annual tuition payments will be considered for refund under specific circumstances.

Other: Monthly rates will be charged regardless of student absences. School holidays have already been calculated into all program rates and tuition. Late stay is 2:15pm–5:30pm and is \$10 per day per child.

We look forward to serving your family and helping your child grow academically, emotionally, spiritually, socially, and physically!