

Gaia Democratic School (GDS) Tuition Policy 2022-2023

Please sign and return to Gaia Democratic School.

Tuition amounts are set based on need and follow a sliding scale type system. Full tuition is \$8,000 per year, minimum tuition is \$2,100 per year. Tuition is per student and is usually billed over ten months (September through June) unless other arrangements are made.

Students/Families who cannot afford full tuition should submit an Application for Reduced Tuition. Reduced tuition is awarded based on need, requires proof of income, and must be approved by the GDS Finance Committee. Deadlines may apply. Gaia will send a Tuition Agreement to each family before the school year (or before enrollment) begins. It must be signed and returned. If you need to change your Tuition Agreement, make any special arrangements for payment, or have any questions regarding tuition, please contact the GDS Finance Committee in writing via email: [Finance@GaiaDemocratic.org](mailto:Finance@GaiaDemocratic.org) or USPS. You may need to reapply for a change in terms.

**Withdrawal:** We require a 30 day notice in writing to discontinue enrollment and tuition charges.

**Late Payment/Returned Check:** Tuition is usually due on or before the first day of each month. Payments received more than 5 days late will be assessed a \$5.00 late fee unless other arrangements are made. There is a returned check fee of \$10.00.

**Past Due Tuition:** It is important to communicate with the Finance Committee if you are having trouble paying tuition. Lack of payment without adequate communication with GDS may cause your student to be removed from our student list. If sixty days go by without payment or adequate communication, GDS will remove the student's name from the roster and send a letter to the student's home indicating that the student is no longer enrolled. Students who withdraw from the school with balances due may not be allowed to visit or participate in some GDS events. Collection action may be taken and school records may be withheld.

\*All provisions of this policy are subject to adaptation to individual circumstances.

All personal information is kept confidential and is only shared with the Gaia Finance Committee.

SIGNATURE/S \_\_\_\_\_

PrintName/s \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

Form must be signed by the person/s taking responsibility for tuition payments.

**Gaia Democratic School** (GDS) admits students of any race, color, religion, gender, disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender expression, national and ethnic origin. All students have all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. GDS does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, gender, disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender expression, or national and ethnic origin or any other reason.