## CEDARS MONTESSORI 2024/2025 FEE SCHEDULE Fee Schedule current as at July 2024. Details subject to change. Please contact the centre to confirm up-to-date information. Applying to the Waiting List does not guarantee an offer of placement or enrolment. ٠ The Waiting List Fee is non-refundable. \$75 Waiting List The Waiting List Fee is waived for current or previous students of any SA Montessori centre, and/or (non-refundable) Application their siblings. The centre reserves the right to waive or discount the Waiting List fee in certain circumstances. • Enrolment Following an Offer of Placement parents must secure the position with a non-refundable administrative \$145 Registration fee. (non-refundable) • Upon enrolment (or when increasing days of attendance) a bond is required to the equivalent amount due for two full weeks of fees. The Bond is held by the centre and may be used to cover any unresolved or unpaid fees during a child's attendance. If the bond is depleted entirely by fee payments the enrolment will be forfeited. If the child's enrolment continues after the bond has been depleted (as fee payment has resumed by that point) an additional bond will be collected from the family to secure the ongoing position. Bond refund conditions require that parents notify Cedars Montessori Preschool in writing with 4 • The bond is calculated prior to weeks' advance notice when withdrawing their child from the centre, or cancelling any days of any eligible Child Care Subsidy enrolment. The four weeks' notice cannot incorporate the centre's End of Year and New Year application. It is the equivalent of: Bond closure period. If a four week notice of departure has been supplied, the bond will be refunded to parents following full payment of any outstanding fees due up until the last day of enrolment. The 2 weeks gross fees bond may also be used to cover outstanding fees after the last day of enrolment, and in this case, (refundable if all conditions met) only the balance (if applicable) will be refunded. Parents who supply less than the required 4 weeks' notice for a departure will still be required to • pay the equivalent total fees of that 4 week notice period regardless of their child's attendance during this time. The bond may be forfeited and used towards a portion of this fee payment. As Centrelink generally does not pay entitlements if a child is absent on their formalised last day, or any absences immediately surrounding that last day, **full fees** (with no Child Care Subsidy applied) may need to be charged for that period of time, where applicable. Fees are structured according to age group to reflect the differing costs associated with these ages, • including (but not limited to) the increased number of educators required to satisfy the legal educator-to-child ratios for younger children. The centre programs operate between 8.00am to 5:30 daily. Minimum attendance at Cedars Under 3 years: Montessori is 2 days a week but children can attend up to 5 days a week. Fees are calculated as \$141 per day Preschool a full day of attendance irrespective of whether a child utilizes all of the available daily hours. Program Sessions cannot be made up if not attended. Over 3 years: Fees Fees apply for 48 weeks of the year for all days booked irrespective of any absences (eg public \$134 per day holidays, family holidays and sick days). Fees are payable at the conclusion of each week of attendance and are automatically deducted by direct withdrawal from a nominated bank account using the centre 'Debitsuccess' payment system. Participation in the DebitSuccess system is a condition of enrolment. 1) In the event of a failed payment, Debitsuccess charges Cedars Montessori a Service Fee of \$19.95. This fee is passed on to the family, with \$19.95 being charged by Cedars Montessori to the child's account for each failed payment. A failed payment means that the attempt to process the weekly fee cannot be completed or is reversed. Reasons for a failed payment can include, but are not \$19.95 Service Fee for limited to, insufficient funds in the nominated account on the day of the debit, daily payment limits **Failed Payments** on the card/account, or the cancellation of a card or closure of account without provision of updated Default details in time for the next payment date. It is the responsibility of the parents/guardians to ensure Fees that the conditions for a successful payment are maintained. The Service Fee for \$19.95 charged to a family for each failed payment is non-negotiable and non-refundable. 2) In the event of recurrent non-payment and/or a pattern of late payments, a Penalty Fee of \$25 will \$25 Penalty Fee for be charged (in addition to the \$19.95 Service Fee on each failed payment). If accounts remain **Recurrent Non-Payment** outstanding after two weeks, the placement may be forfeited. Debt collection procedures may be or Late Payments initiated on any outstanding fees. Child Care Subsidy (CCS) cannot be claimed for this fee. Enrolments are for a 10 week term. Fees are **TODDLER PROGRAM** calculated on the number of weeks in a term and not on a sessional basis. Families starting mid-term are charged the pro-rata rate for the number of weeks remaining in the term. Full fees are applied \$300 per 10-week term Parent and irrespective of public holidays falling in any particular period. Term fees must be paid prior to the start (\$30 per session) Child of the term (or by the end of the child's first week if a family commences mid-term). Half of the payment Program TRANSITION PROGRAM will be kept as a non-refundable bond and will be forfeited if a child withdraws prior to the start of the Fees term. Term fees cannot be refunded once a child has started the term. In the event that Cedars \$370 per 10-week term Montessori cancels an entire session, a credit for the missed session will be provided, based on the (\$37 per session) equivalent weekly fee.

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