



# MAHARISHI SCHOOL OF THE AGE OF ENLIGHTENMENT

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## REGISTRATION GUIDELINES 2010-11

### Important Dates to Remember

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Registration for All Students	May 20	1
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<b>Tuition</b>		
Invoice Sent to Parents	Mid June and Mid November	2
Tuition Payment Due	August 9 and January 5	2

### How to Register Your Child

For the School to have an accurate enrollment count, a registration deposit is required for all continuing students. This deposit ensures that a place is reserved in the classroom for your child.

#### Continuing Students

A registration deposit of \$300 per student (maximum of \$600 per family) is required by May 20, 2010. Please complete the enclosed Registration Form and send it with payment to Maharishi School. Payment must be received by May 20, 2010. The registration deposit is applicable to tuition but is non-refundable and non-transferable in the event your child does not enroll.

#### New Students

Parents of new students should contact the Director of Admissions at 641-472-9400 x5064 or [admissions@msae.edu](mailto:admissions@msae.edu) to obtain all admissions materials.

#### Late Registration

Each *continuing* student who registers after May 20 *will be charged a \$300 late registration fee* (maximum of \$600 per family) that is added to the annual tuition fee. Students who register late will be accepted on a first come, first served basis, as classroom space permits. *New* students applying after May 20 will be placed on a waiting list *after all completed application and registration materials have been received*. Admission acceptance is at the discretion of the School.

## Tuition Fees

Parents of all registered students, both continuing and new students, will be mailed a tuition invoice in June for the 2010–11 academic year. Tuition fees will remain the same as they were for the last three years. For the 2010–11 academic year the fees are:

Grade	Tuition
Preschool: 2-day	\$ 1,700
Preschool: 3-day	2,500
Preschool: 4-day	2,950
Preschool: 5-day	3,400
All Day PS/Childcare: 5-day	5,200
Kindergarten	5,390
Grades 1–3	12,600
Grades 4–6	12,900
Grades 7–9	13,400
Grades 10-12	13,900

Semester tuition payments for each student are due on August 9, 2010, and January 5, 2011, prior to the start of each semester. Full payment for the semester must be received before the child will be admitted to class. Payment may be made by check, cash, or credit card (MasterCard, VISA, or American Express).

## Preschool

**Preschool children** are 2–4 years old by September 15, 2010. Preschool children have the option to attend class two, three, four, or five mornings per week. In addition, this year Maharishi School will be offering a new all day preschool and childcare combination program. This program has been designed primarily in support of families in which both parents are working or continuing their own education.

At Maharishi Preschool, high standards are maintained for each child's happiness, comfort, and ability to cooperate in a group. Preschool should be easy and nourishing for the child and the School reserves the right to decide that a child is not ready for the program. In this case, the Preschool Director will discuss the situation with the parents, and a pro-rated refund will be given.

Preschool and Childcare scholarships are available for qualifying families from the Department of Human Services and the State funded AIM Empowerment through Child Care Resource and Referral. Please contact the Student Accounts Office at 641-472-9400, extension #5076 for further details.

## Enrollment

**Continuing Students** who have been properly registered and whose tuition has been paid by August 9, 2010, will be assigned a teacher and classroom.

**New Students** will be considered enrolled after the following steps have been completed:

- All application materials have been completed and returned to the Director of Admissions.
- Semester tuition has been paid in full to the Student Accounts Office.
- All applicants, grades K–12, have learned the Transcendental Meditation® technique, or the Word of Wisdom<sup>SM</sup> technique if they are younger than 10 years of age.
- Acceptance for admission has been given by the Director of Admissions.

## School Uniform

The uniform policies of Maharishi School have proven successful in helping culture a quiet form of orderliness and coherence in the classroom. Please refer to the *Student and Parent Handbook* for a complete description of the School uniform and dress code policy. Copies can be obtained from the Central Office.

## Financial Aid

Limited financial aid is available for students enrolled in grades PS–12. Each family receiving financial aid is expected to fulfill a School service commitment for a total of 24 hours for the academic year.

Financial aid applications are processed by Financial Aid Independent Review, Inc. (FAIR) and reviewed by the Financial Aid Committee of the School. **Financial aid is allocated based on completed applications mailed to FAIR by April 15, 2010.** Financial aid forms cannot be processed if incomplete.

To apply for financial aid, complete the enclosed Financial Aid Application form and mail along with a copy of your 2009 IRS Form 1040, 1040A, or 1040EZ and the processing fee to FAIR in the enclosed envelope. **A copy of your 2009 federal income tax return *must* accompany this application before it can be considered.**

**All financial aid applications must be submitted by the parent who claims the child as a dependent.**

Please note that all financial aid applicants must also complete a Dharma Foundation registration form. The completed form should be returned to the Student Accounts Office, and it will be forwarded to the Dharma Foundation.

## Tuition Loan Programs

Installment loan plans are available from First National Bank, Iowa State Bank, or MidWestOne Bank in Fairfield. Loans are usually available for either the semester or annual tuition amount. Parents will be able to include the 2010–11 registration deposit in their bank loan if the loan is processed by May 20, 2010. Please call the Student Accounts Office for more details.

### Educational Loan

A number of alternative payment plans are available through private lenders. For more information, call the Student Accounts Office or go on-line to [www.privateschool.about.com/od/loans](http://www.privateschool.about.com/od/loans) or [www.nais.org/about/index.cfm?ItemNumber=145881](http://www.nais.org/about/index.cfm?ItemNumber=145881).

## Fundraising Responsibilities

Maharishi School's fundraising program ensures that everyone shares in the fundraising responsibilities necessary to operate the School. Every family is obliged to participate in our School's fundraising efforts. This includes participation in the Bike/Green Fest, Holiday Gift Store, Ideal Shopping Program, Spring Fundraiser, Golf Tournament and/or other fundraising drives. This obligation should be met by May 31, 2011. Alternately, parents may pay \$500 per student (\$250 per Kindergarten student and \$100 per Preschool student) to satisfy this obligation. For further information please call the Development Office at 641-472-0094. Please note that faculty and staff participate in a different fundraising program.

## Word of Wisdom, Transcendental Meditation and TM-Sidhi® Programs

### Word of Wisdom and Transcendental Meditation Programs

The Transcendental Meditation program is a fundamental aspect of the education at Maharishi School. Students receive instruction in the Transcendental Meditation or Word of Wisdom technique at Maharishi School once they are accepted and enrolled.

Due to the generosity of the David Lynch Foundation and others, there is no additional charge for students receiving instruction in the Transcendental Meditation program.

**TM-Sidhi Program**

Students ages 13–14 are eligible to apply for the Youth Invincibility Course (YIC), and those age 15 or over are eligible to apply for the Center Invincibility Course (CIC). The David Lynch Foundation provides generous support for these programs, and parents of Maharishi School students are only responsible for \$500 per child (plus room and board for the two week in-residence portion of the CIC program). To receive this benefit, students must commit to regularity of attendance at group program on school days during the academic year. Students who do not fulfill this commitment will be responsible for repaying the instruction fee.

<b>Withdrawal and Refunds</b>	
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Written requests for refunds from parents of students in good standing who withdraw according to School procedures will be processed as follows:

<b>Withdrawal Date</b>	<b>Tuition Refund</b>
Pre-semester	100%
Within 2 weeks	80%
Within 4 weeks	60%
Within 6 weeks	40%
Within 8 weeks	20%
After 8 weeks	0%

**Please Note:**

- Withdrawals must be processed through the Registrar.
- Parents receiving a tuition loan from a local bank must pay any non-refundable portion of tuition directly to the bank. Refundable portions will be paid directly to the lending bank.
- Refunds are not given to students who are not in good standing at the time of withdrawal.
- Pre-semester refunds exclude the Registration deposit.