Enrollment Process

Early Childhood (Nursery and Kindergarten)

Contact Alison Petersen in the Admissions Office 207-686-3140 or email <u>alison@seacoastwaldorfschool.org</u> for more information.

Thank you for your interest in Seacoast Waldorf School. Our enrollment process can take a total of 3-6 weeks and, while the majority of enrollments occur January - April for a September start, we do accept students on a rolling basis.

Pre Application Process:

- Contact Alison Petersen, Admissions Coordinator, to set up a school tour (virtual or in person). If you are looking for more general information about our school, please visit our website www.seacoastwaldorfschool.org.
- 2. Prospective parents will be invited to a regularly scheduled presentation by our Early Childhood staff: *A Window into Waldorf Early Childhood Information Session*. (October 24, 2023 / 3:15 pm, December 6, 2023 / 3:15 pm, February 7, 2024 / 3:15 pm, March 6, 2024/ 3:15 pm, and April 2, 2024/ 3:15pm. Children not present.

Application Process:

For the 2024-25 school year, applications will open up on January 1, 2024. Openings will be filled on a first-come first-serve basis. We will notify you if you have taken a spot in one of our classes or are placed on the waitlist. We will then reach out to you if a spot opens up. We determine enrollment after the entire application process is completed.

- 1. **Apply** online at https://www.seacoastwaldorfschool.org/apply-now.
 - There is a non-refundable \$60 application fee.
 - Submit a Records Release Form (if applicable) through TADS, which authorizes us to contact your child's current and former teachers.
 - All records are required, including evaluations, IEP's or 504 plans.
- 2. **Early Childhood Prospective Family Visit:** children and parents join other prospective families in our play yard or classroom
- 3. **Parent Meeting:** paren and teacher. Children not present.
- 4. **Acceptance and Deposit:** To secure the child's place, upon receipt of notification of acceptance by email, parents complete the contract and submit non-refundable deposit of \$500 through TADS.
 - *please submit up-to-date immunization records before start of school to admin@seacoastwaldorfschool.org

- 5. **Home Visits:** are arranged by teachers before school begins. The purpose of home visits is to help your child feel comfortable with their new teacher and ease the newness of school.
- 6. **Trial Period -** From the first day your child starts school, there is a six-week **trial period** before the enrollment process is considered complete. This trial period assures that this will be the right fit for all involved and if not, that families are released from their contract.

Early Childhood Waitlist:

If a class has a waitlist, determined by the Admissions Coordinator, we still highly encourage you to take a tour and fill out an application. We will keep in touch and notify you if and when a spot becomes available.

- 1. Tour with the Admissions Coordinator
- 2. Application online with \$60 fee