

NORTHSIDE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR 2009-2010

Thank you for your continued interest or inquiry into Northside Christian School. The Reservation fee, due upon enrollment, reserves your child's space for the fall. The Registration fee, due in June, covers processing costs, furniture, equipment, supplies, and a variety of other start-up expenses. It also includes the per-student fee for membership in the South Carolina Association of Christian Schools (SCACS) and AACS (American Association), which provides legal oversight in Columbia and Washington, Fine Arts Festivals, and sports competition and tournaments. The Tuition, paid in 11 installments July through May, pays for faculty and staff salaries and benefits and the operation of the facilities and programs. (If you enroll in August, the annual Tuition will be divided by 10, first payment in August; if you enroll in September or later, the total will be divided by 9, first payment in the month of enrollment.) A \$55 service charge is added to the annual Tuition for those who pay monthly.

*****Reservation and Registration fees are not refundable*****

| <u>Level</u> | <u>Reservation due in Feb.</u> | <u>Registration due in June</u> | <u>Tuition annual</u> | <u>Eleven pays</u> |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|
| K3-K4 Half day | \$50.00 | \$50.00 | \$2,310.00 | \$210.00 |
| K3-K4 Full day | \$50.00 | \$50.00 | \$3,685.00 | \$335.00 |
| K5 Half day | \$50.00 | \$125.00 | \$2,420.00 | \$220.00 |
| K5-6 Full day | \$50.00 | \$125.00 | \$3,850.00 | \$350.00 |
| 1-6 | \$50.00 | \$200.00 | \$3,850.00 | \$350.00 |
| 7- 8 | \$50.00 | \$225.00 | \$4,125.00 | \$375.00 |
| 9-12 | \$50.00 | \$250.00 | \$4,400.00 | \$400.00 |

DISCOUNTS There is no discount on Reservation or Registration fees. However, Northside pro-rates Registration fees by the quarter in order to help families who enroll during the school year. The second student in the family receives a 10% discount off the tuition displayed above; the third, 25%; the fourth and following, 100%.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE In May you will receive a notice reminding you of the June Registration payment and the monthly Tuition payments. Parents may pay by the year or by the semester in the office without the \$55 service charge, or they may set up 11 monthly drafts on the 5th or the 20th. We then post the Child Care fees and other charges and mail the statement on the 20th so that parents receive it by the 25th, to pay on the 1st. Children may be placed on financial suspension if the family account becomes 60 days in arrears. Returned checks incur a \$25.00 service fee.

BOOK AND ACTIVITY FEES Students purchase consumable workbooks before the first day of school. The prices are published during the summer. NCS supplies textbooks at a fee of \$2.00 each per year. There is a duplicating fee. Course fees for specialized secondary offerings such as Chemistry are also due before classes begin. The per-student premium for Student Accident Insurance is included in the Book and Activity Fee schedule. A testing fee is assessed if entering students (1-12) do not present standardized test scores (achievement tests). Sports fees are due before the first game of the season. Music fees are due at the beginning of the semester; piano lesson charges are paid monthly. Graduation fees (K5, 6th, and 12th) are due May 1. Child Care rates are provided on a separate information sheet.

Northside Christian School offers a rich academic (calculus, biology, chemistry, physics, anatomy, literature electives, speech, computer instruction) and extracurricular program (drama, debate, music theory, choir, band, physical education, boys' and girls' junior varsity and varsity sports, such as cheerleading, soccer, volleyball, basketball, baseball, and softball). Because of the additional costs personnel, equipment, and materials generate, the rates may be higher than those announced by some other schools. Of course, it is always possible to offer less and charge less, but we have chosen to maintain the highest quality Christian education possible, trusting discerning parents to appreciate that value is more important than a bargain, especially where our children are concerned. The rates of a typical private school, in contrast, are substantially higher.