



## Sliding-Scale Tuition Program Application

The Helen R. Walton Children’s Enrichment Center is an independent nonprofit school, where children are our first priority. With us, children gain a strong foundation with qualified teaching staff, curriculum, and developmental assessments in a healthy, clean and safe environment. While we have a culture of excellence; the key to what we do lies in each team member’s compassion, integrity, commitment and responsibility.

We believe **all** children should have access to the highest quality of care and education; therefore, we offer a Sliding-Scale Tuition Program. This is funded through generous contributions from individuals, corporations and local organizations.

No family, even those paying maximum tuition, pays the full cost of high quality education and care. Tuition sustains our high quality teaching team and programming. Other costs such as those associated with the construction of our new facility are fully supported by separate philanthropic contributions.

### **Eligibility**

Below are the gross annual income guidelines in relation to the total household size. If a family qualifies and funds are available, the family will receive a reduced tuition rate. An individual or family receiving consistent assistance through another program will not be eligible to participate in the Sliding-Scale Program.

	90% Reduction	80% Reduction	60% Reduction	40% Reduction	25% Reduction	15% Reduction
Household/Family Size	Household Income					
2	< \$24,360	< \$32,480	< \$40,600	< \$48,720	< \$56,840	< \$73,080
3	< \$30,630	< \$40,840	< \$51,050	< \$61,260	< \$71,470	< \$91,890
4	< \$36,900	< \$49,200	< \$61,500	< \$73,800	< \$86,100	< \$110,700
5	< \$43,170	< \$57,560	< \$71,950	< \$86,340	< \$100,730	< \$129,510
6	< \$49,440	< \$65,920	< \$82,400	< \$98,880	< \$115,360	< \$148,320
7	< \$55,710	< \$74,280	< \$92,850	< \$111,420	< \$129,990	< \$167,130
8	< \$61,980	< \$82,640	< \$103,300	< \$123,960	< \$144,620	< \$185,940

- Household/family size is defined by the number of individuals living in the household to include children.

### **How to Calculate Annual Income**

Each household member’s income is calculated based on their gross (before taxes) salary or gross regular hourly wage. We do not consider bonuses or overtime, as they may not be consistent sources of income. Each hourly wage is multiplied by 2080 hours (full-time working hours per year) which equals gross annual employment income. Part-time gross wages (less than 40 hours/week) are calculated according to average hours worked on a weekly basis. Any additional income received by the household on a regular basis – such as child support, disability, or other government payments – must be added to the recipient’s wages to calculate total household gross income.

### **Other**

The Sliding-Scale Tuition Program is administered on a first-come, first-serve basis. Applications are accepted year round and are subject to availability of funds.



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Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_ # People living in Household: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Child(Children) attending HWCEC: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Sliding-scale is based on total gross annual income in relation to the total household size. ***Please list each household member and their income (including children).*** Enter \$0 for no income.

<b><u>ALL</u> Individuals Living in Household:</b>	<b>Age:</b>	<b>Gross Income (before taxes)</b>
_____	_____	\$ _____
_____	_____	\$ _____
_____	_____	\$ _____
_____	_____	\$ _____
_____	_____	\$ _____
_____	_____	\$ _____

***Proof of Income (provide one of the following for each income source):***

\_\_\_\_\_ 2 most recent Pay Stubs      \_\_\_\_\_ Last year's filed Federal Tax Return

\_\_\_\_\_ Original letter from employer indicating hourly wage and standard work hours or annual salary

Do you receive Child Support?     Yes     No    If YES, how much do you receive monthly? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you receive SSI or Disability?     Yes     No    If YES, how much do you receive monthly? \_\_\_\_\_

Other monthly income or information: \_\_\_\_\_

Continued participation in the Sliding-Scale Tuition Program is subject to the following:

1. Annual application and income verification
2. Timely payment of out-of-pocket tuition
3. Continued availability of funds from philanthropic sources

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

All applicants will be considered for tuition indexing without regard to race, color, creed, religion, sex, age, handicap, disability, sexual orientation, ancestry, national origin, marital status, or any other basis prohibited by applicable law.