

# Admissions, Tuition, and Fees 2023-2024

Summit Christian School admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to the students of the School. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin in the administration of its educational policies, admission policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school administered programs.

**Application Fee:** A non-refundable \$50 per student application processing fee is due at the time of application.

Registration Fee: A \$300 non-refundable registration fee per student is due before registration is complete.

## **Programs**

Summit Christian School offers elementary and middle school programs for students in kindergarten through eighth grade. Students receive instruction in Reading, Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, History and Social Studies, and Bible. Students also participate in daily devotions, weekly chapel, Music, STEM, Art, Library, and Physical Education. Co-curricular experiences are provided for students of all ages and can change from year to year. Elementary and Middle School students also have the opportunity to participate in our athletics programs, supported by participation in the Gulf Coast Christian Athletic Conference (GCCAC).

	Annual Rates	Monthly Rate (11 months)*
Kindergarten – 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Tuition	\$9,569	\$869.90
Grades 6-8 Tuition	\$10,018	\$910.73

<sup>\*</sup>Payment plans begin in July and end with the last payment in May. All payments are due the 1st of each month.

**Field Trips:** Classes at Summit Christian School participate in a variety of field trips related to the curriculum. The fees and number vary per grade level and are billed to parents.

### Additional Fees (incidental expenses)

Security	\$25/month per child
Hot Lunch	TBD
Athletic Participation Fee	TBD

A \$30.00 late payment fee will be assessed for tuition received after the 10th of the month. A \$30.00 fee will be assessed for returned checks/reversed debits, or insufficient funds.

All families are required to have a FACTS Tuition Management account where billing is processed for tuition and incidental expenses.

Tuition payments, if paid monthly, are due on the first day of each month. The tuition cycle runs for 11 months, from July 1<sup>st</sup> through May 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### **Tuition Discounts and Financial Aid**

Only one tuition discount or SCS financial aid award may be applied to a family's tuition balance (with the exception of the pre-payment discount).

#### **Tuition Discounts**

The following discounts may be applied to tuition balances <u>after</u> the application of state scholarships such as Step Up For Students (Florida Tax Credit scholarship; Unique Abilities, etc.).

- a. <u>Multiple Child</u> This discount is applied from oldest to youngest students and can be applied toward pre-school tuition (excluding VPK Only students). There is a 6% discount for the second child, a 15% discount for the third child, and a 35% discount for the fourth and additional child.
- b. <u>Westminster Presbyterian Church Member</u> There is a 15% discount for children whose parents are members in good standing of Westminster Presbyterian Church.
- c. <u>Minister</u> For children of ordained ministers of Bible-believing evangelical churches employed full- time in pastoral ministry, there is a 50% discount.
- d. <u>Prepayment</u> Prepayment discount applies to the annual tuition and must be received in full by July 1, 2023. Prepayment discount of 3% does not apply to other fees and is not available to families receiving financial assistance through Summit Christian School.

#### **Financial Aid**

Financial aid is determined after April 15<sup>th</sup> each year, since the process requires the previous year's tax information.

- a. <u>Need-Based Financial Aid</u> Financial aid may be available based on need. Application may be made at <a href="https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/3V16S">https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/3V16S</a>. Under normal circumstances, Summit does not offer more than a 50% scholarship for financial assistance.
- b. <u>Step Up For Students (Florida Tax Credit Scholarship- FTC)</u> The Florida Tax Credit Scholarship provides scholarships for K-12<sup>th</sup> grade students in the state of Florida based on income. Families may visit <u>www.stepupforstudents.org</u> for more information.
- c. <u>Family Empowerment Scholarship Unique Abilities (FES-UA)</u> The Family Empowerment Scholarship (Unique Abilities) are available through Step Up for Students for students with specific learning disabilities and clinically-diagnosed medical conditions.

#### **Financial Obligations**

Accounts must be current for a student to attend classes, receive a report card, and have records released. Once an account becomes 30 days delinquent, the student is subject to dismissal. Upon withdrawal or dismissal, the student's records (except medical) will be held until all financial obligations are paid. No deductions or refunds of tuition will be made for withdrawal, absence, or dismissal. In cases where a student is enrolled during the school year, tuition is prorated on a quarterly basis.

# Payment Commitment to Summit Christian School

Summit Christian School is dependent upon the regular tuition payments of parents, the support of Westminster Presbyterian Church, and benefactors who are committed to Christian Education.

By signing this financial agreement and enrolling your child, you are committing to the payment of tuition and fees required.

By signing this financial agreement your student will be continuously enrolled for subsequent school years.

Parent/Guardian Signature	Date	Parent/Guardian Signature	Date