

Tuition & Fee Schedule

DUAL TUITION STRUCTURE FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2026-2027

Beginning with the 2026-2027 school year, German International School Washington, D.C. ("GISW") will implement a dual tuition structure: one tuition rate for Self Funded and a separate rate for Employer Funded families.

Parents/ guardians will be asked to self-identify during the enrollment process if their student is to be considered Self Funded or Employer Funded, which will designate their effective tuition rate. Parents/ guardians are expected to accurately identify their payor status, including employer assistance if applicable, and to promptly notify GISW if their situation changes. Parents/ guardians will be asked to affirm in the Enrollment Contract that they have provided complete and accurate information regarding their employer benefit and payor designation. Families receiving less than 100% employer tuition support are eligible to apply for Tuition Assistance/ Financial Aid.

Self Funded

The Self Funded designation applies to families who either do not receive tuition benefits from an employer or their employer tuition benefit is less than 75% of tuition. If a family identifies as Self Funded, GISW will not engage with a third party on behalf of the family for purposes of tuition payment. Self Funded families are required to pay enrollment and contract deposits at the time of contract signing and will have multiple payment plan options. Tuition is non-refundable if the student departs from the school mid-year. Families will need to provide official documentation of employer tuition benefits before GISW will complete year-end employer paperwork for any Self Funded student.

Employer Funded

The Employer Funded designation applies when an employer contributes at least 75% towards the student's tuition. GISW will complete employer paperwork associated with tuition benefits.

Additional benefits for all Employer Funded families include:

- Tuition will be refunded in accordance with the refund policy when a student is withdrawn for any reason; enrollment fee, contract deposit, membership fee, class fee, and technology fee are non-refundable.
- Transitional support services.
- Admission without waitlist throughout the academic year for students who meet admission requirements and maintain good academic, disciplinary, and financial standing, subject to available classroom space.
- Enrollment fees and contract deposits paid directly by the employer are due with tuition payment, not contract signing.
- No administrative change fees.
- No payment plan fees.
- No finance charges on account balances.

Families with questions or concerns about their designation should consult with the school's Controller, Christine Moore, at cmoore@giswashington.org to determine the appropriate designation. GISW will resolve any ambiguity regarding a family's pay designation as Self Funded or Employer Funded. The School may request additional information or documentation from the family and establish reasonable deadlines for submission. In cases of conflict or uncertainty, GISW's decision will be final.

BASE TUITION		before 4/24/26*	after 4/24/26
PRESCHOOL (5 Days, Mon-Fri)	2-year old		
	Morning Program Only (8:00am-1:15pm) - Self Funded	\$21,072	\$22,072
	Morning Program Only (8:00am-1:15pm) - Employer Funded	\$33,072	\$34,072
	3/4-year old		
	Morning Program Only (8:00am-1:15pm) - Self Funded	\$17,127	\$18,127
	Morning Program Only (8:00am-1:15pm) - Employer Funded	\$29,127	\$30,127
SCHOOL ENTRY LEVEL (SEL) - GRADE 12	School Day (8:10am-1:50pm and 1:50pm-3:10pm) - afternoon program included		
	SEL - Self Funded	\$25,173	\$26,173
	SEL - Employer Funded	\$37,173	\$38,173
	Grades 1-6 - Self Funded	\$26,475	\$27,475
	Grades 1-6 - Employer Funded	\$38,475	\$39,475
	Grades 7-12 - Self Funded	\$27,385	\$28,385
Grades 7-12 - Employer Funded	\$39,385	\$40,385	

* \$1,000 Early Enrollment Bonus applies exclusively to school year 25/26 students re-enrolling for school year 26/27 for whom a completed and signed enrollment contract is received by April 24, 2026. Contract deposit must also be received by this date for Self Funded students to receive the discount.

EXTENDED HOURS		
PRESCHOOL (5 Days, Mon-Fri)	Morning Care (6:30am-8:00am)	\$5,430
	Afternoon Program (1:30pm-2:45pm)	\$3,853
	Extended Care (3:00pm-4:45pm)	\$6,281
	Evening Care (4:45pm-6:30pm)	\$6,335
SCHOOL ENTRY LEVEL (SEL) - GRADE 9	Morning Care (6:30am-8:00am)	\$5,430
	Extended Care (3:15pm-4:45pm)	\$5,758
	Evening Care (4:45pm-6:30pm)	\$6,335

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GISW LOYALTY REWARD

Applies to any student once they enroll for a sixth, full or partial year (consecutive or non-consecutive). The discount also applies to all siblings of the student as well as siblings of students who were enrolled for five or more years and graduated/withdrew.

\$ (1,250)

FEES *non-refundable*

Enrollment Fee - new	\$2,500	All new students
Enrollment Fee - Preschool to SEL	\$1,400	due for students moving from GISW Preschool to SEL (will phase out)
School Society Membership Fee	\$150	Per family, per school year
Technology Fee	\$200	Per student (grades 1 -12), per school year
Non-refundable contract deposit	\$1,000	Per student, due at time of contract signing unless paid directly by employer
Class Account Fee	\$150	Per student, per school year

BUS FEES (service is available in the mornings as well as afternoons at 3:25pm and 4:55pm)

Zone A	Zone B	Zone C	Zone D	Zone E	Single Ticket
\$2,707	\$3,198	\$3,669	\$4,160	\$4,751	\$20.00

CAFETERIA FEES

Preschool - Grades 12
\$1,300

ADDITIONAL EXTENDED HOURS FEES, per student, per occurrence, per program

Drop-In Fee	\$50	
	\$0	1-15 minutes late
	\$15	16-30 minutes late
Late Pick-Up Fee	\$30	31-45 minutes late
	\$45	46-60 minutes late

ADMINISTRATIVE FEES

Late Payment Fee (after 30 days)	\$50	Late fees are assessed monthly until account is brought current; waived for Employer Funded students
Returned Check Fee	\$50	
Change Fee	\$50	Change fees are incurred when changes are made to add-on programs after the enrollment contract is received by the school; waived for Employer Funded students
Second replacement - bus pass	\$50	

PAYMENT PLAN FEES

Payment by Check/Wire to School	\$0	No fee for payment by check; payor is responsible for any fees associated with or deducted from wire transfer
Tuition Management Semi-Annual (August & January)	\$50	Per Student; waived for Employer Funded students
Tuition Management Monthly (August to May)	\$250	Per Family; waived for Employer Funded students
Annually	\$0	Please pay in full by check or wire transfer by August 4, 2026

INSTALLMENT OPTIONS PAID THROUGH BLACKBAUD TUITION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

Payment plan options are semi-annually or monthly. The School uses Blackbaud Tuition Management to process installment plans. These installments are automatically withdrawn from your US bank account or charged to your US credit card. If you were signed up through Blackbaud Tuition Management during the 2025/26 school year, your account(s) automatically renews for the 2026/27 school year. If you are new or were not previously enrolled in Blackbaud Tuition Management, please enroll during the signing of the yearly contract(s) in Blackbaud Enrollment Management.

Families can expect to receive an email from billing@giswashington.org with their invoice for the upcoming school year. Please review your invoice carefully for accuracy and respond to the same email address with any questions or concerns. If you have not seen your invoice by July 15th, please inquire.

Blackbaud Tuition Management website is <https://parent.blackbaud.school>
Blackbaud Tuition Management can be reached at 1-888-868-8828

If you are paying through an automatic deduction from your US bank account, you will need your bank account number and routing number (ABA).
If you are paying by US credit card, Blackbaud Tuition Management charges a credit card convenience fee on top of the tuition and fees amount and will be billed separately.

If you choose to pay monthly, you may choose to have the funds withdrawn from your US bank account or charged to your US credit card either on the 5th or the 20th of the month. The ten monthly payments begin in August 2026 and end in May 2027.

If you choose to pay semi-annually, funds are withdrawn in August 2026 and January 2027.

If you have any question regarding payment plans, please contact April Floyd at 301.767.3810 or afloyd@giswashington.org.