



MCDONELL AREA CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

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LITTLE MACKS 4K & 4K WRAP-AROUND

Tuition, Fees, & Frequently Asked Questions

McDonnell Area Catholic Schools is committed to making a faith-based Catholic education affordable for all families. Our wrap-around rates are lower than many other centers in order to keep the total 4K cost affordable. We are willing to sacrifice revenue in order to ensure that Catholic faith-based 4K is accessible to all of our families regardless of financial means. Please review our program details below to see how a Catholic education can work for your family!

LITTLE MACKS 4K PROGRAM <i>(Tuition-Based)</i>	School Year: Monday - Friday, morning or afternoon 4K session \$2500 Annual Tuition <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Eligible for free tuition through Wisconsin Parental Choice• Payable in ten monthly installments through FACTS• Over 90% of our families receive tuition credits, including; family cap for 3+ students, Guardian Angel scholarships, and more
4K WRAP-AROUND <i>(Fee-Based)</i>	School Year: Before or after-care session \$40 / Day for MACS 4K students \$55 / Day for non-MACS 4K students <i>(subject to availability)</i> Total cost of 4K plus wrap-around is competitive with local rates
CAMP MACKS <i>(Fee-Based)</i>	Summers Only: Monday - Friday 7:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. \$190 / Week <i>(part time rates available)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• MACS students entering grades 4K-5 have first priority registration for summer camp

**“Let the children come to me, and
do not prevent them;
for the kingdom of heaven belongs
to such as these.” (Mt. 19:14)**

WHEN DOES ENROLLMENT OPEN FOR LITTLE MACKS 4K?

Enrollment for Little Macks 4K opens on our MACS website, along with K-12 enrollment, on January 29, 2023. You will have the opportunity to indicate your preference for morning, afternoon, or no preference. Little Macks 4K enrollment closes when the classes are full, i.e. when they reach 20 students per section. At that time, we will start a waiting list and cannot guarantee a spot.

HOW DO I REGISTER FOR WRAP-AROUND?

After you have enrolled in Little Macks 4K, you will have the opportunity to register for 4K wrap-around care if you wish to do so by contacting our Early Childhood office to complete the contract and registration forms.

HOW CAN I APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID?

We recommend applying as soon as possible by contacting Teresa Dachel at the MACS central office at (715)723-0538. Note that the Wisconsin Parental Choice deadline is April 20, 2023 and cannot be extended.

WHAT IF I COMPLETED THE PARENT SURVEY AND INDICATED THAT I WOULD LIKE TO BE PRE-REGISTERED?

If you completed the survey and indicated you would like to be pre-registered, we ask that you complete the 4K enrollment process on our website prior to February 1, 2023 to secure your spot. Your enrollment application will be given priority as long as it is received before February 1, 2023.

WHAT IS THE DRESS CODE FOR LITTLE MACKS 4K?

Little Macks 4K students will follow the same dress code as K-2 students, which can be found in the student and parent handbook.

HOW DO I PAY MY BILL?

We have separate billing systems for 4K-12 tuition and our early learning fee-based programs, including 4K wrap-around. Thus, families who participate in both Little Macks 4K and 4K wrap-around will go through two billing processes. The reason 4K tuition is billed separately from our fee-based programs is to **ensure families qualify for the maximum amount of tuition credits and discounts**. We are here to help you through the process! Thank you for your understanding.

Little Macks 4K (and all 4K-12 tuition) is billed through the MACS business office or FACTS monthly payment system. You can select your tuition payment method (annual or monthly, check or ETF) when you enroll. Little Macks 4K Wrap-around, Supers, Camp Macks, and Little Macks 3K are billed bi-weekly through the St. Charles early childhood office and ProCare monthly billing system. Check, ETF, and credit card payments are accepted.

WHY IS MACS CHANGING TO A FAITH-BASED PROGRAM?

MACS' mission is to educate the whole child in mind, body, spirit, and community in the Spirit of Jesus Christ. Our previous 4K program was not able to provide any faith formation and 4K students were not allowed to pray or participate in any faith-based school activities with the K-2 children. Of the dozens of classrooms throughout our MACS schools, there was only one in which Jesus was not fully welcome. Now is the time to make a change.

Starting in Fall 2023, Jesus Christ will be welcomed into our 4K program through the classroom atmosphere, programming, and school community activities. Through weekly Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, a Montessori-based program, children will learn about the bible and Jesus Christ as the source of goodness, truth, and beauty. In addition, we are updating the entire 4K curriculum to nurture the whole child and prepare our students for kindergarten at MACS.

