

FAQs

Why choose Califon School?

Califon School represents the best of two worlds: Small class sizes and global outreach combine to ensure that our learners receive an exemplary education. Our highly effective staff is dedicated to creating a learning environment that is caring and nurturing. Califon's expectation is that every student is capable of reaching his or her full potential, and every day we model and practice that belief.

Our unique public school has innovative programming and class sizes comparable to those of a private school. Califon infuses technology throughout grades and lessons, and its Innovation Lab and Genius Hour take that learning to engaging hands-on levels. We employ a forward-thinking, three-tiered enrichment program that gives *all* students a chance to explore curiosities, special interests, and identified skills. Our academics are top-notch, but we never forget our century-long legacy of building confident, compassionate leaders.

Sometimes children are overlooked at a large school, or they feel isolated due to social dynamics. Sometimes they achieve so easily that they fall under the radar, and therefore under their true potential. Sometimes it appears that they just don't fit in; maybe the school just doesn't fit them. For all of these reasons and many more, parents can choose Califon School.

What are the competitive tuition rates?

New annual tuition rates make a Califon education more accessible to those who live outside the district. Tuition for pre-K is \$5,700 for full day. Tuition is \$7,000 for K-fifth grade; \$7,500 for sixth-eighth grade. Additionally, Califon offers a 40 percent discount for siblings. The loyalty program maintains the tuition after three years of enrollment.

Does a payment plan make tuition easier for families?

We understand the challenges of financially investing in a quality education. Califon's tuition program breaks the fee into 10 payments, and requires just one month's share upon the student's registration. That initial payment is applied to the June assessment. Beginning in September and continuing through May, tuition payments are due by the 10th day of each month. For students who register with Califon after the start of the school year, the annual tuition fee is prorated accordingly. Late payments are subject to a \$25 fee. Tuition families sign a contract that details the payment schedule.

How does transportation work?

Califon's tuition program does not cover transportation services, much like most private schools. Parents/guardians are responsible for transportation to and from school.

Can my student transfer in the middle of the school year?

We're ready to accept students whenever they are ready to make the move to Califon School! We often welcome students midway through the school year when a family moves into the district. For them and for tuition students, we work in subtle ways to be sure everyone is accepted as an equal member of the Califon community.

Who can be admitted to Califon School?

Students can be admitted through our tuition program if they meet the state's age requirements for public school: Pre-K students must be ages 3-5; Kindergarten students must be age 5 on or before October 1st to be eligible for the given school year.

I'm interested for my child! How do I get started?

We offer several ways for families to get to know Califon School, including the opportunity to speak one-on-one with the teacher who would be your child's primary contact. Start the process with the Interest Survey on our website, which will help us understand what you're looking for and any concerns you have. Browse our website to learn more about our close-knit school, and check out [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) to get a feel for our atmosphere and our accomplishments. We would love to speak with you and schedule a school tour. If you're ready to enroll a Cougar, complete the Tuition Application and we will contact you for the next step.