



THE DISCOVERY MONTESSORI INC.

REGION OF PEEL 2018 CHILDCARE FEE REBATE

Dear Parents

To make child care more affordable for families, the Region of Peel has provided funding to reduce daily child care fees for children from birth to age 4 (infants, toddlers, and preschoolers not eligible to attend kindergarten) for 2018. With this email we are also enclosing a memo from the Director, Early Years and Child Care Services, Region of Peel describing the fund details and the distribution criteria.

We are pleased to announce that in 2018, The Discovery Montessori has been approved to receive funding to support a reduction to your daily child care fees. For families attending licensed child care from January to December in 2018, parents will receive a refund of the child care fee paid to The Discovery Montessori by the following amounts.

1. FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 01, 2018 TO AUGUST 31, 2018

- a) Fee reduction of \$ 13.82/ day for children who attend full-day programs (for 6 hours or more per day).
- b) Fee reduction of \$ 6.91 /day for children who attend part-day programs (for less than 6 hours per day).
- c) A single fee refund payment for the above period will be made to all the eligible parents in September 2018

2. FOR THE PERIOD SEPTEMBER 01, 2018 TO DECEMBER 31, 2018

- a) Fee reduction of \$ 12.00 /day for children who attend full-day programs (for 6 hours or more per day).
- b) Fee reduction of \$ 6.00 /day for children who attend part-day programs (for less than 6 hours per day).
- c) A monthly refund will be issued to all the eligible parents by the school at the beginning of each month. Parents are **NOT** required to revise or resubmit their monthly post-dated cheques to the school. This step is essential to keep the school accounts separated from the government funding account.

3. THE ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR THIS FEE REFUND/ REBATE IS AS FOLLOWS.

- a) Only Parents of children who are between the ages of birth to less than age 4 on December 31, 2017 (infants, toddlers, and preschoolers not eligible to attend public kindergarten) will receive the refund.
- b) For children who were already at 4 years of age or more on January 01, 2018. (Children born on or before Dec 31, 2013) are NOT eligible for the fee refund.
- c) Children who are eligible to attend JK as of September 2018 will also receive the funding for the period of January 01 – August 31, 2018 regardless of what month in the year 2018 they turn 4, as long as they are enrolled at the school, for any period, during this time.
- d) Parents of children who are in receipt of full fee subsidy from the Region of Peel are not eligible to receive this refund.
- e) This funding is for **2018 only and may not be available in 2019**. If this funding is discontinued or reduced, the rate reduction will be reassessed.
- f) As described above, the fee refund is awarded on a per billable/school day basis (weekends excluded) as described above, and the total refund amount, due to each parent, will be calculated on that basis.

We expect to receive the funds from the Region of Peel in the first week of September, 2018. Upon receipt of these funds, the school will contact the individual parents and inform them of their actual refund amounts as well as the timings of the payment. This communication is also posted on our website at the parent's portal tab:

<https://discoverymontessori.ca/parents-portal>

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