

*Mother Earth School*  
*Application for enrollment*

Name of child \_\_\_\_\_ D.O.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Names \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

*I am applying for (check one):*

*Mother Earth Kindergarten (child must be 4 before June) \_\_\_\_\_*

*Mother Earth Faery Garden (child must be 3 before Dec) \_\_\_\_\_*

*Please list your child's siblings and ages:*

*Please tell us about your child (temperament, likes, dislikes, special needs, etc...):*

*Please tell us about your family and your daily rhythm (siblings, eating habits, how you spend your free time, bedtime routine, etc...):*

*Please tell us about your child's previous school experience:*

*How has your child been indicating readiness for school?*

*Why are you interested in the outdoor school?*

Please initial that you have read the following items:

I understand that the Faery Garden program meets 3 days/wk (Tues. through Thurs. 9:30-12:30) and that the Kindergarten meets 4 days/wk (Tues. through Fri. 9:30-1:30) at TLC Farm. Yearly tuition for the Faery Garden is \$4000 plus a one-time \$100 materials fee and for Kindergarten is \$4500 plus a \$200 materials fee due with the first months tuition. \$500 of the yearly tuition is due at contract signing and is a non-refundable deposit. I understand that all financial contracts will be negotiated individually as there are work trade options available.

I realize that this experience requires parent participation and support at home in order to be most effective. We provide a healthy, natural environment at school and ask that each child is nourished wholesomely, well-rested and not exposed to media at home (particularly on school nights). There are monthly parent meetings and volunteer opportunities in which we ask your participation throughout the school year.

This is a non-academic early childhood program. The curriculum is entirely experiential. The educational aspect is brought through story, song, art, traditional skills, social interaction and free play. The classes are taught by Waldorf teachers who follow the Waldorf teaching methods indicated by Rudolf Steiner. Our school year calendar honors both Waldorf tradition and the seasonal cycles of the year and is NOT the same as the public school calendar.

I realize that this program is an entirely outdoor experience from September through June. I am aware that there are no fences at the farm and therefore this program is NOT appropriate for children who are prone to wander or who do not respond to verbal requests or boundaries. This program is unique in that the children are allowed an unusually wide range of physical experiences. The children go to the bathroom outside, will be getting wet and feeling the cold all winter long. I am committed to investing in quality outer and under wear and will dress my child(ren) appropriately for all weather conditions. The teachers have the right to cancel school days at their discretion if outdoor winter temperatures are dangerously cold or if driving conditions are potentially hazardous.

I have read and understand the parent handbook for Mother Earth School (this can be found on our website [www.motheearthschol.org](http://www.motheearthschol.org)).

My application will be considered in the order received and I will be contacted to set a date to meet at the farm. If all spaces are full, I will be notified immediately that my child is on the wait list. Our admission process involves a parent meeting as well as a visit with your child(ren) at TLC Farm in order to decide whether our program is a good fit for everyone before signing a contract. This application is NOT a contract.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature(s) of parent(s)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Please mail completed forms and \$25 application fee to:

Kelly Hogan

Mother Earth School

Tryon Life Community Farm

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