



January 29, 2020

Thank you for choosing Spectrum School and being an integral part of our community! Our commitment to enhancing your child's education and experience is stronger than ever. The dedication of our brilliant teachers, staff, and leadership along with detailed strategic planning efforts and the creative use of resources have allowed us to grow and thrive despite budget challenges and facility constraints.

As we approach enrollment time and look forward to a new school year, please review the following:

- The annual tuition increase will be three percent (3%).
- Small student-teacher ratios will remain a top priority – not to exceed 12:1, and for our youngest learners even smaller.
- Continuation of newer programs focused on daily movement and physical education opportunities at Rockford University (RU), twice weekly music and art classes, band and music, regular science labs (our Middle School goes to RU several times a year), world language, gardening and environmental education, technology-enriched projects, sign language and deaf culture, artists-in-residence programs, field trips and field studies, Interest Groups, as well as the introduction of several new enrichment programs and initiatives.
- Team teaching gives educators a chance to understand and know every child while working with another professional in the classroom to design what is best for each group. This is truly personalized learning where teachers guide the development of the whole child.
- Multi-age classrooms support responsive instructional approaches for all learners – taking into account their strengths, interests, needs, and perspectives.
- An integrated, Spectrum-designed curriculum allows for inquiry- and project-based learning, as well as in-depth study of content centered on themes and big ideas.
- Student-centered assessments – rather than grades and numbers students are given feedback on their work product, their thinking, their problem-solving, their social skills, their effort, and their resilience. Our students take responsibility for their education by building a strong foundation of learning how to learn, which ignites a passion for lifelong learning.

To reserve your spot for the 2020-21 school year, please submit the attached Re-Enrollment Form along with your \$200/child enrollment fee prior to March 1, 2020. Priority will be given to present students and their siblings who have paid their enrollment fee.

After March 1, 2020 enrollment will be open to families on the waiting list and the general public. For families who have decided not to return to Spectrum in the fall, please inform Marci Hallgren (m.hallgren@spectrumschool.org) by March 1, 2020.

Sincerely,

Dr. Mary Beth Cunat, Principal

Marci Hallgren, Director of Finance



**Spectrum Progressive School
2020-21 Re-Enrollment Form**

Name of Family: _____

Date: _____

Student Name: _____ **Student Name:** _____

Student Name: _____

_____ I have attached my non-refundable \$200 enrollment fee per child (Check payable to Spectrum School)

Check # _____

_____ Please automatically withdraw my non-refundable \$200 enrollment fee per child from my account on file

Payment Plan: 10 Month _____ 12 Month _____ Pay in Full _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

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Please complete this form, and if not on automatic withdrawal, include your \$200 enrollment fee per child with this form and return to Marci Hallgren.