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We welcome you to contact our Director of Admissions to start the process for the 2025-2026 school year! Seneca Academy offers a variety of class options at each age level to accommodate families' schedules. We do not ask for any payment during the admissions process until registration, when the student has been assigned to a class. The Admissions Director will contact you to discuss next steps and finalize the admissions process. Completed applications will be reviewed by the Admissions Committee and the Committee will notify you in writing in mid-March. Students are assigned to classes on a first-come, first-placed basis. Preschool Program Information Preschool Tuition and Fees Current students will receive reenrollment information and then need to return it to the office during the priority enrollment period. Only current students and their siblings may register at this time. Students are assigned to classes on a first-come, first-placed basis. Seneca Academy will try to accommodate everyone's first choice for all current preschool students and their siblings. Parents will be notified by mid-February about class placement and registration details. New students will be notified of the date to complete registration and pay a nonrefundable \$60 registration fee and a 10% tuition deposit. All new students will receive a tote bag for use at school. The first tuition payment is due in May. New student forms: Once a student has been accepted, required emergency forms and health forms will be available for download and submission through TADS, our student information system. Learn More about Our Preschool Curriculum Seneca Academy seeks to admit a diverse population of students who are able to meet the academic and social expectations of the school. Seneca Academy is nondenominational and does not discriminate on the basis of ethnicity, gender, race, religion, politics, sexual orientation, or socioeconomic status in the admission of children. We welcome the opportunity to communicate with parents about whether our school is a good match for their children. We've detected that JavaScript is disabled in this browser. Please enable JavaScript or switch to a supported browser to continue using x.com. You can see a list of supported browsers in our Help Center. Help Center Whether they are three or four-years-old, preschoolers or elementary students, school is the first place where our kids go out on their own to spend the day without us. Though we may ask frequently, we never really find out exactly how they spend each day or what conversations take place in the sandbox or on the playground; what small piece of knowledge they gain from every activity or assignment; but I do believe we can tell when they are thriving and when they are not. After seeing our daughter, through two amazing years of preschool and Kindergarten, my husband and I made a difficult choice. We decided to withdraw her from Seneca Academy and switch to public school for first grade. Financially, we didn't think we could make it work to send both our daughter and now her little brother (3) to Seneca together, especially once they were both in elementary. We made the decision swiftly at the beginning of summer, hoping that like ripping off a band-aid, the sting of leaving would diminish quickly. From the beginning of our start in public school, we were troubled. Because the class size was large (25+ students), discipline seemed to be the top priority. In areas where she had achieved independence years ago (like pushing herself in reading and going to the bathroom by herself) our daughter was discouraged. Academics were stacked in huge blocks of time with few breaks built-in. Snack time didn't exist. Uninspired homework assignments came home with little explanation every night. The playground swarmed with 250 students during recess, making it hard to find friends in a blur of racing faces. And yet, to her credit, our daughter never really complained... but we began to notice a change. The light and joy that had always filled her at school was dimming. She wasn't happy to get up in the morning anymore. After a few weeks, she would stare at the photo taken of her Seneca kindergarten class and cry. At first she would talk of missing her friends, but that evolved to descriptions of missing something much bigger. 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But then again, now everyone in our family—especially our daughter—has an even deeper appreciation for the teachers, staff, and community that make Seneca Academy the truly special place that it is. - Posted by Parent - nicle K-5 students may be dropped off at school from 8:15-8:25 a.m. Classes start at 8:30 a.m. Students will be marked tardy after 8:30am. Kindergarten 8:30 am — 3:00 pm Monday - Friday Grades 1-5 8:30 am — 3:15 pm Monday - Friday Fox Club (Extended Care) Before School: begins at 7:30 am Monday - Friday After School: begins at 3:00 pm, ends at 5:30 pm Monday - Friday Curriculum Click here to read about our Elementary curriculum. Dress Uniforms are mandatory for all K-5 students. Please check the Uniform Policy for additional information. Seneca Academy is a non-profit, independent day school, founded in 1983, serving children preschool through fifth grade. We are located in Darnestown, Maryland on a six-acre National Wildlife Federation Certified Schoolyard Habitat and are proud to be the only private authorized International Baccalaureate (IB) Primary Years Program World School in Montgomery County, Maryland. Seneca Academy is accredited by the Association of Independent Maryland and DC Schools (AIMS) and the Maryland State Department of Education. Prospective Seneca Academy Families Looking for a Private School in Montgomery County, Maryland Looking for a Private Preschool in Montgomery County, Maryland Looking for a Private Kindergarten School in Montgomery County, Maryland Looking for a Private Elementary School in Montgomery County, Maryland Private Schools in Maryland: A Review of Seneca Academy For further information about the IB and its programs, visit [www.ibo.org](http://www.ibo.org). Hours: Hours Wednesday 7:30AM - 5:30PM December 2020 Seneca was a great stop for my 3rd grader who needed to rekindle his love of learning. The small class sizes and IB curriculum really opened his world and made him love school again! December 2019 This is the first year my son is going to this school and it has been a good experience. The staff is friendly and the infrastructure is the appropriate for the number of kids on premises. I highly recommend this school to other parents. December 2016 My children are so fortunate to have such a great place to learn and grow. I've watched both of them love learning more and more every year -- the teachers at Seneca know how to build on every child's strengths and push them to new heights. More Comments(6) From Seneca Academy Seneca Academy is a nonprofit independent day school, founded in 1983, serving children preschool through fifth grade. We foster children's natural curiosity and ignite a love of learning through a collaborative, inquiry-based program in a dynamic and welcoming community. Through the International Baccalaureate Primary Years Program (IB PYP), students develop into globally-aware citizens who are compassionate and confident problem-solvers. The academic and social-emotional skills they gain at Seneca Academy prepare them to excel in a rapidly changing world. We believe children learn best when given the gift of time to wonder, to explore, and to reflect. You May Also Like Whether they are three or four-years-old, preschoolers or elementary students, school is the first place where our kids go out on their own to spend the day without us. Though we may ask frequently, we never really find out exactly how they spend each day or what conversations take place in the sandbox or on the playground; what small piece of knowledge they gain from every activity or assignment; but I do believe we can tell when they are thriving and when they are not. 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