

Parent Information Sheet

Forest Children Program, Fall 2007 – Spring 2008

Days and Times: August 28, 2007 through May 30, 2008

Tuesdays through Thursdays, 9:30 am -3:00 pm (arrival time: between 9:15 and 9:30)

Breaks: Nov 17-26, Dec 21-Jan 7, March 29-April 7

Admission and Enrollment: We are accepting 6 to 12 year olds previously enrolled in the 2006-2007 program. New children may apply by filling out our Student Application.

Monthly Rates for three days/week:

One child

\$250 (or \$180 with 7 hrs of labor contribution)

Two children

\$415 (or \$275 with 14 hrs of labor contribution)

Payments: Payments are due the 1st of the month for that month, September 1 to May 1. These payments may be given to the program coordinator or the treasurer, in cash or check payable to Forest Children Program. There is a late fee: after the 7th of the month; you must include \$5 for each week your tuition is late. This fee is also charged if you do not pay for or record your labor hours.

Deposit: There is a nonrefundable deposit equivalent to one full month's tuition (\$250 for one child, or \$415 for 2 children) to hold your child's space in this program for all parents. This deposit will be credited to the last month's payment. The deposit along with the parent contract signifies your commitment to this full session. If you withdraw your child before May, you will forfeit your deposit. This is a way of mitigating the impact of children withdrawing when we plan our financial commitments around the commitments from the families.

Labor contribution: Each family may receive a credit of up to \$70/month at \$10/hr for up to 7 hours of labor contribution. To receive this credit, you must fill out a contribution form and turn it in with your monthly tuition, listing your labor hours from the previous month. We also accept Leaps in lieu of labor hours. **September 1 tuition is the full \$250 (or \$415 for 2 children), which can be reduced only if you turn in a form with hours from May through August 2007.**

If you contribute more than the 7 hours/month, you may “bank” them for you to use for future credit another month, or to donate to the school. Alternatively, Earthaven members may receive Leaps for Board/Committee or Fundraising work that is above their parent labor contribution.

Ways you can contribute include: subbing for the assistants; preparing kindling & firewood; fire starting; deep cleaning; coordination of fundraisers; cleaning & organizing the kids' space; Board, Program Committee, and Finance Committee meetings.

Homeschool enrollment with the state: We are a homeschool enrichment program, not a legal replacement for school. As required by NC law, if your child is 7 years or older, they must be enrolled as a homeschooler with the state. For more information and support around homeschool enrollment, contact Ema or David, 664-0445.

Questions: Call Melissa at (828) 669-3575, or email fcp AT earthaven.org.