School Tuition (2025-2026)*

Regular Day Tuition: 8:30am - 3:00pm

3 days per week:	$1,085/month
4 days per week:	$1,435/month
5 days per week:	$1,790/month

Extended Day: 3:00 - 5:15pm, $25 per day

Early Start: 8:00 - 8:30am, $5 per day

A deposit (equal to 1 month's tuition) is due for new families upon submitting enrollment paperwork, and serves as the 12th and final (August) tuition payment of the school year. Limited financial aid is available and any family may apply. **Tuition subject to change for 2026-27 school year. Spaces for Early Start and Extended Day are limited.*

Admissions Information

To attend, children must be at least 2 years old and younger than 5 years old at enrollment. Children may attend 3, 4, or 5 days (schedule must include either a Monday or Friday).

The school year runs from September to August of the following year. Most students are admitted for a September start, but admissions continue on a rolling basis if we have open spots for the remainder of the school year. We follow the Boston Public Schools holiday/vacation calendar during the school year. Interested families can submit an application via our website. Priority is given to alumni families.

Open Houses are scheduled in the Fall and Spring, and families who are unable to attend an Open House can schedule a visit. Upon enrollment, a non-refundable tuition deposit will be due in order to hold your spot and will be applied to the last month's tuition (August).

ANS strives for diversity, inclusion, and balance in its students and families and does not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, national origin, gender, or ability.

ASHMONT NURSERY SCHOOL



A unique parent-run cooperative school for children ages 2 to 5 years old.

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About Ashmont Nursery School

Ashmont Nursery School (ANS) is a non-profit, non-sectarian, cooperative preschool. ANS is licensed by the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care (EEC). The school is a parent-run cooperative dedicated to fostering exploration, play, and a lifelong love of learning.

Our faculty consists of a director and certified teachers with over 65 years of combined experience at the school. Parents regularly volunteer as parent-teachers too! There are a maximum of 18 children per day.

The program provides an environment where children feel safe, secure, respected and recognized as individuals. In order to help facilitate self-directed learning, the nursery school is set up with a variety of materials and activities from which children can choose. The materials are stimulating, challenging, and adaptable for children of varying developmental levels.

Family Involvement

ANS is a parent-cooperative school. The cooperative aspect of the school requires that each family be involved in many ways to ensure its success. It also builds a wonderful sense of community and long-lasting bonds among families!

Families are required to contribute and participate in the following ways:

- Parent Teaching: Assist in the classroom once per quarter
- Committee: Serve on a committee (fundraising, equity, facilities, admissions, hospitality, etc.)
- All-Family Meetings: Attend 3 general family meetings per year
- Family Work Week: Dedicate time at end of August preparing the classrooms and playground for the school year
- Fundraising: Assist with annual auction and yard sale
- Open House: Participate in open houses

ANS has an Executive Committee which oversees the operation of the school to ensure that it runs efficiently, cooperatively, and in a financially responsible manner.

A CHILD'S DAY AT ASHMONT NURSERY SCHOOL

The ANS curriculum is centered on the children's interests, the seasons, nature and our world, in addition to the children's social, emotional, physical and intellectual development needs.

ANS has events throughout the year to celebrate the diversity of the community, and offer children a deeper understanding of various cultures.

The ANS goal is to foster each child's natural curiosity and love of learning. A typical daily schedule:

ARRIVAL & MORNING CENTERS, 8:30 - 9:00 AM
Math & manipulatives, science, blocks, dramatic play

CLEAN UP & MORNING EXERCISE, 9:15 - 9:30 AM

SNACK TIME, 9:30 - 9:45 AM *healthy snack provided*

ARTS & CRAFTS / SENSORY ACTIVITIES, 9:45 - 10:30 AM
Easel, sensory table, playdough, table activities, clean up

WHOLE MORNING GROUP CIRCLE TIME, 10:30 - 10:45 AM
Check in, calendar, concepts, special story, songs, discussions, intro to centers

THEME RELATED CENTERS, SMALL GROUP, 1:1, 10:45 - 11:15 AM

OUTDOOR PLAY, 11:15 AM - 11:50 PM
ANS encourages outdoor play everyday, weather permitting

LUNCH, 11:50 AM - 12:15 PM
Families/Caregivers/Parents provide lunch for the child each school day. There is no access to microwave or refrigerator.

NAP & REST TIME, 12:15 - 2:45 PM
Bathroom, quiet reading on mats, nap time, rest-time, wake up time varies by child

REGULAR DAY PICK-UP, 2:45 - 3:00 PM

EXTENDED DAY, 3:00 - 5:15 PM *healthy snack provided*
Outdoor play, free time, 1:1 time