



January 11, 2024

Dear KOCO Families,

At its meeting on January 9, 2024, the KOCO Board of Directors voted to increase tuition by 9% effective March 1, 2024. This increase has resulted from increased costs, particularly in payroll (repeated minimum wage increases). As you can see from the data below, the new rates are in line with the Connecticut state average (compiled by 211 Childcare Infoline on 1/4/2024). Thanks to KOCO parent Chelsea McKenna for helping to research local tuition rates. Please submit a completed revised contract ASAP. Invoicing will reflect new rates beginning in March, 2024.

Childcare Center	Early Opening	Under 3	Preschool	Schoolage
CT State Average (211 Childcare)	Na	342.00	283.00	123.00*
Bright Path – East Hampton	Na	447.67	383.72	201.63
Discovery Zone – Marlborough	Na	350.00 (3+ days)	Na	Na
Belltown – East Hampton	20.00	320.00	275.00	135.00
KOCO – current	12.10	312.00	254.10	133.10
KOCO – new (9% increase)	13.19	340.52	276.97	145.08

*\*amount may reflect only after school rate*

Many KOCO documents, including contracts, will now be available digitally on Brightwheel. You can also click the link below to access the contract(s) you need from our website. Links on that page will connect you to pdf's that can be downloaded, completed digitally, and then emailed back to KOCO (no printing required): [koco4kids.org/registration—fees](https://koco4kids.org/registration—fees)

We're confident that everyone will find document handling much easier when it's done digitally, and we'll save lots of time, money and space without having to print, distribute and store everything.

Thanks for your continued support and understanding!

Janet and Laurie