

Waldorf Education

Waldorf Education was founded in 1919 by Austrian scientist and spiritual philosopher, Rudolf Steiner, in Stuttgart, Germany.

"It is a school in which art, music and handcrafts are as important as reading, writing and arithmetic; in which each day includes activities for the hands, body and heart as well as for the head; in which there is a strong moral and spiritual element." -Ronald E. Koetzsch, PhD.

- ❖ Today there are more than 900 Waldorf schools and 1,600 early childhood programs on five continents.
- ❖ The Waldorf movement is the largest, private, nonsectarian educational system in the world.

**To learn more about Waldorf Education visit:
www.whywaldorfworks.org**

Our Mission

The Clover Hill School is committed to the proven ideals and methods of Waldorf Education, inspired by Rudolf Steiner. The school is devoted to the protection of childhood and to providing an education that serves the needs of the developing human being. Our educational approach develops the capacities needed to thrive in our modern world, including skillful hands, moral courage and independent thinking.

Through a common understanding of all members of our school community, we can best meet the needs of the growing child. Our school provides ongoing opportunities for adult education, including parent workshops and public lectures.

Our school is committed to fostering community through public events, community outreach and the celebration of seasonal festivals. We aim to serve the Lower Fairfield and Westchester County areas by being an active and responsible contributor to the community at large.

You can read our mission statement in its entirety on our website.



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www.thecloverhillschool.org

Growing Together

at **THE CLOVER HILL SCHOOL**
A Waldorf School Initiative in Norwalk, CT



*A morning activity class for parents and children designed
to meet the needs of the young child*

Winter & Spring 2012

The Growing Together class takes place at
Christ Episcopal Church
2 Emerson Street, Norwalk, CT 06855

Our Program

In the pre-school years, children learn primarily through play, free movement and the innate ability to imitate all that surrounds them. Our teacher-facilitated classes, held in a homelike setting filled with beauty and warmth, offer rich opportunities for play-based learning. Hand-made toys and play materials from nature nourish the young child's developing senses, as they provide stimulus for creative play.

Today's scientific research continues to support what Waldorf education has shown for many years: When young children are given the opportunity to learn through play, this stimulus fosters imagination, concentration, coordination, language and number skills – capacities which lay a sound foundation for intellectual development in the elementary school years and beyond.

Our weekly two-hour classes provide a nurturing setting for meeting other parents, sharing unhurried moments with your child, or simply observing him/her in play and social interaction. We offer Parent and Child play-groups designed to meet the developmental needs of children age two months up to three years.

Our day often includes these activities:

- ❖ Bread baking
- ❖ Simple craft making from natural materials
- ❖ The celebration of seasonal festivals
- ❖ Puppetry
- ❖ Circle play with songs, finger games and nursery rhymes
- ❖ Tea and a wholesome snack
- ❖ Outdoor play

The Clover Hill School also offers a mixed-age kindergarten program for children 3 to 6 years old. Please contact us for more details.

The Clover Hill School offers additional programs and fun family events. These include Family Activity Days, seasonal festivals, picnics, craft workshops and public lectures on Waldorf Education and parenting topics. *Check our website for more details!*

www.thecloverhillschool.org

Growing Together Winter/Spring 2012 Application Form

Parent and Child Classes:

A morning class for moms, dads and children 2 months to 3 years old.

Winter/Spring Session

- Thursdays, 9:30-11:30 a.m.** February 2, 9, 16. March 1, 8, 22, 29.
April 5, 19, 26. May 3, 10, 17, 24.

Fees: **Fall Session: Thursdays** (14 classes): \$546 or 6 week block: \$255

One time, non-refundable, Application Fee: \$25.

Registration is ongoing. Tuition is pro-rated when applicable.

Child's Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Gender: Male Female

Parent's Names: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Email: _____

Names of other authorized persons bringing child:

Are there any specific concerns you would like us to know about?

(allergies, nutrition?) _____

Name of siblings and their birth dates:

How did you learn about The Clover Hill School?

Please return this application with application fee to:

The Clover Hill School, P.O. Box 206, Riverside, CT 06878-0206.

Questions? Please call our Administrator: (203) 661-6484.