



PROGRAM FEES 2026-2027

1. Mandatory fees:

Application fee AED 500.00 - one-time, non-refundable (FS1/Pre-KG and FS2/KG1 students only)

Medical fee AED 500.00 – yearly

Program fees from August 24th – July 2nd (All the fees are calculated on a week base and include over 43 weeks)

Payable per term	Term 1 (24/08/26- 18/12/26) (17 weeks)	Term 2 (04/01/27- 02/04/27) (13 weeks)	Term 3 (05/04/27- 02/07/27) (13 weeks)
No of days per week	8:00am-1:00pm	8:00am-1:00pm	8:00am-1:00pm
5 days per week	AED15,283.00	AED11,687.00	AED11,687.00 or AED10,788.00*
4 days per week	AED13,277.00	AED10,153.00	AED10,153.00 or AED9,372.00
3 days per week	AED10,914.00	AED8,346.00	AED8,346.00 or AED7,704.00 *
2 days per week	AED7,633.00	AED5,837.00	AED5,837.00 or AED5,388.00*

*applicable if the optional spring break is taken from 05/04/27 – 11/04/27

Payable per 4 weeks	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
No of days per week	8:00am-1:00pm	8:00am-1:00pm	8:00am-1:00pm
5 days per week	AED3,596.00	AED3,596.00	AED3,596.00
4 days per week	AED3,124.00	AED3,124.00	AED3,124.00
3 days per week	AED2,568.00	AED2,568.00	AED2,568.00
2 days per week	AED1,796.00	AED1,796.00	AED1,796.00

TERM 4/ BREAK FEES structure for Academic Year 2026-2027

December, July and August:

5 days	8am-1pm	8am-2pm	8am-3pm	8am-4pm
Daily	AED278.00	AED310.00	AED342.00	AED374.00
Weekly	AED963.00	AED1,070.00	AED1,177.00	AED1,284.00
4 days	8am-1pm	8am-2pm	8am-3pm	8am-4pm
Daily	AED278.00	AED310.00	AED342.00	AED374.00
Weekly	AED856.00	AED910.00	AED964.00	AED1,018.00
3 days	8am-1pm	8am-2pm	8am-3pm	8am-4pm
Daily	AED278.00	AED310.00	AED342.00	AED374.00
Weekly	AED749.00	AED803.00	AED857.00	AED911.00
2 days	8am-1pm	8am-2pm	8am-3pm	8am-4pm
Daily	AED278.00	AED310.00	AED342.00	AED374.00
Weekly	AED514.00	AED568.00	AED622.00	AED676.00

- Monthly payment available with postdated cheques.
- *Registration Deposit:* AED 3,000.00 payable upon enrolment. This amount includes the application fee AED 500.00, medical fee AED 500.00 and the deposit fee AED 2,000.00 which is deductible from the first term academic fees, and is required to secure your child's place at Great Minds ECC.
- *Refund of Registration Deposit:* The registration deposit is refundable if you formally notify the ECC at least 60 calendar days before the child's start date. If notification is given within 60 calendar days of the start date, the deposit is non-refundable.
- *Re-Registration Deposit:* AED 2,000.00 payable no later than 2nd July. This amount includes the medical fee AED 500.00 which is charged yearly and the registration fee AED 1,500.00 which is deductible from the first term fees of the next academic year. It is required to secure your child's place for the following academic year. The re-registration deposit is refundable if you formally notify the ECC at least 60 calendar days before the start of the following academic year. If notification is given within 60 calendar days of the start of the following academic year, the deposit is non-refundable.
- Uniform: Polo shirt AED55.00 (Vat exclusive 5%)

2. Optional fees:

- Afternoon program is offered as an optional extension of the main program on hourly basis from 1:00pm-5:00pm:
 - 5 days per hour per week: AED54.00
 - 4 days per hour per week: AED51.00
 - 3 days per hour per week: AED43.00
 - 2 days per hour per week: AED35.00
- Early drop off from 7:30-8:00:
 - 5 days per ½ hour per week: AED27.00
 - 4 days per ½ hour per week: AED26.00
 - 3 days per ½ hour per week: AED22.00
 - 2 days per ½ hour per week: AED18.00
 - 1 day per ½ hour per week: AED10.00
- Extra hour pre-booked in advance: AED65.00 per hour on daily basis
- Inclusion fee consists of specialized assessment, co-ordination with significant others, adjusting the class environment to the child's needs and skills and training of staff members: AED1,000.00 (Vat exclusive 5%)
- Communication and life skills lab classes payable per 4 weeks (monthly, includes 8 classes): AED3,000.00 (Vat exclusive 5%)

3. General terms and conditions:

- Term Fees are payable on/before:
 - **Term 1 fee payment - on/before 24th August, 2026**
 - **Term 2 fee payment - on/before 15th December, 2026**
 - **Term 3 fee payment - on/before 22th March, 2027**
- Late fee according to the chosen program after 1:05pm/2:05pm/3:05pm/4:05pm/5:05pm - AED250.00 per half hour on a daily basis.
- 10% sibling discount on Academic Fees, for second child or more children
- 5% discount for upfront payment of the whole academic year fees.
- 10% discount on academic fees for Emirates platinum card holders. The discount applies for upfront payment of one year of academic fees.
- Payments are accepted by cash, cheque, credit card or bank transfer. Cheques should be payable to: Great Minds Early Childhood Center
- Monthly payment option is available only with provided post-dated cheques for the whole term amount.

- All dishonored cheques will hold a bank charge of AED200.00 per cheque
- All fees inclusive of tracing notebooks, crafts, special activities & events organized at the center.

4. Withdrawal and Refund Policy

Withdrawal must be requested formally in writing, clearly stating the intended withdrawal date. The withdrawal date cannot be backdated. A child's absence from the ECC does not constitute withdrawal. Fees will be charged for any absence if the child is registered and a withdrawal request has not been submitted. Families should provide 60 calendar days notice of their intention to withdraw their child, so that the teachers are aware and can prepare for any impact on the child and the class. After 60 calendar days from the received notice, parents receive 100% of the remaining fees within 5 working days. If payment was made by post-dated cheques, the refund will be processed after all cheques have been credited to the Centre's account. For every post-dated cheque, the Centre reserves the right to retain AED 20.00 for bank charges.

In the event that parents do not notify the Centre of the child's withdrawal before 60 calendar days from the withdrawal date, the Centre has the right to retain the remaining amount.

5. Distance Learning and Service Continuity Policy

If distance learning is announced or mandated by the relevant authorities, academic fees remain payable in full for any period during which the service is provided through distance learning or any other approved alternative method.

6. Payment details

Payments are accepted by cheque, cash, credit/debit card and bank transfer. Payments by cheque, cash, credit/debit card can be done in the Center's office.

Cheque payments: – Cheque to be made payable to: GREAT MINDS EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER (in full).

7. Late or Non- Payment of Fees

If fees are unpaid, the ECC follows the KHDA-regulated process below:

Step	What happens
Reminders	Two written reminders by email, then direct follow up by phone and an offer to meet
Payment plans	If payment cannot be made in full, the ECC will consider a written payment plan- which can include the re registration deposit and payment deadline. Provided that parents will keep up with the agreed payments, no formal consequences will apply, including any impact on the child's place for the following academic year.
Final written notice	Issued before any further step: it states the amount owed, steps already taken, the next step and its date, and the right to contact the ECC or KHDA.
Restricted attendance	If fees remain unpaid after the required steps have been completed, the ECC may restrict the child's attendance for up to three consecutive days. This restriction will end immediately once the outstanding fees are paid.
Withholding ECC certificate	The ECC may withhold the Withdrawal/transfer certificate until all outstanding fees are paid. This applies whenever the child leaves the ECC, regardless of the reason.
The child's place next year	If fees remain unpaid after the steps above, the ECC may withhold the child's place for the following year (KHDA approval required). Once fees are settled, the child's place is reinstated, subject to availability
Protecting the child	the child keeps learning as normal throughout and is never singled out. Fee matters are raised with parents only.

If unresolved	Either party may refer the matter to KHDA once the ECC's internal process is complete.
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