

Miami Lakes Educational Center and Technical College

Explanation of a Trimester and Payment Information

What is a Trimester:

A trimester system divides the academic year into three sessions: fall, winter, and spring. Each trimester is approximately 12-13 weeks long. Each trimester you can take three to four classes depending on how many credits each class is. Many schools using the trimester system offer a summer session which is more closely related to the quarter system. In the USA, many middle schools and high schools use the trimester system while most higher education institutions use semesters.

Understanding each academic calendar can help students get a better idea of what their academic school year will be like in terms of course load. Regardless of which academic calendar your school uses, the end goal is the same: to graduate and receive your degree.

When the Trimesters Begin and End.

Fall: Aug. – Dec.

Winter: Jan. - April

Spring: May – July

How the cost of the program is calculated:

The cost of the program is calculated by the material fees, tuition fee, registration fee and ID badge fee.

How partial payment fees work:

Partial payment is an agreement between the students and the school, which allows the students to pay a certain amount, by a certain date. If you agree to a partial payment then you must pay the Special Fees (Material Fees), ID Badge Fee and Registration Fee first in order to register. The tuition can be paid in increments by a certain date.

What are Special Fees (Material Fees):

The Special Fees (Material Fees) are the cost of the supplies for the program. It is a one time fee, which has to be paid in the beginning in order to register the program. These fees cannot be broken up in two payments, it must be paid in full in the beginning.

What are Tuition Fees:

The tuition fees are calculated by the cost per hour of the program.

Example: If your program hours are 1000 hours and the tuition fees are \$2.56 per hour, then the cost of the tuition is \$256.00.

What is an ID Badge:

An ID badge is a picture ID of the student and the year the student attends the school.

What are Registration Fees:

Registration Fees is the cost the school district charges to register a student each trimester.

Understanding schedules for short programs that fall between two trimesters:

Some programs do not follow the trimester schedule because the course is shorter (300 plus hours) than the standard courses (1200 plus hours) at Miami Lakes Education Center. Because of this, there are Programs classes that will go through two trimesters (another word broken up into two trimesters). This means you will have to registry twice in order to complete the entire program. This also means you have to pay to register twice and have to pay for a second ID.

Program Financial Calculation

	Amount	Date
Special Fees:	\$ _____ . _____	_____
#1 Trimester Tuition Fee: (Per Hours)	\$ _____ . _____	_____
#2 Trimester Tuition Fee: (Per Hours)	\$ _____ . _____	_____
#1 ID Bade Fee:	\$ _____ . _____	_____
#2 ID Bade Fee:	\$ _____ . _____	_____
#1 Registration Fee:	\$ _____ . _____	_____
#2 Registration Fee:	\$ _____ . _____	_____
#1 Financial Aid	\$ _____ . _____	_____
#2 Financial Aid	\$ _____ . _____	_____
#1 Partial Payment	\$ _____ . _____	_____
#2 Partial Payment	\$ _____ . _____	_____
#3 Partial Payment	\$ _____ . _____	_____
#4 Partial Payment	\$ _____ . _____	_____
#5 Partial Payment	\$ _____ . _____	_____
#6 Partial Payment	\$ _____ . _____	_____