



Dear Peralta P.E.A.C.E. Families,

Happy New Year! EBAC is excited to announce changes to our Peralta Afterschool Program fees. This letter describes the changes in detail including: 1) a new payment chart; 2) a new online payment system; and 3) an option to donate to our EBAC Afterschool Fund. Please read this letter carefully. All changes will take place in January.

### Payment Chart

In an effort to be more efficient, we have updated our payment charts. These will help us reduce our administrative costs and lower our overall fees. To determine your new rate, you must fill out the attached document including your rate level, the number of days per week your child(ren) will be enrolled in programming and how many children will be enrolled.

Please note the following:

1. The fee chart has been converted from a daily rate to a monthly rate. The monthly rate will be the same each month **regardless of the number of weeks of programming offered and it will not fluctuate based on student absences**. As a result of this change, you will no longer need to fill out payment sheets each month! You will only need to fill out a new form if you there is a change to the number of days per week that your child(ren) will be enrolled in program or if your family circumstances change such that you need to adjust your rate level.
2. Since the new chart has been calculated based on a 4 week monthly schedule (regardless of holidays/breaks/absences) EBAC has been able to reduce our overall fees by 10%!
3. We will continue to have a sibling discount. See chart for details.

As you already know, EBAC waived the fees for the entire month of December knowing that this is a big change for you all!

### Online Payment

In response to family requests, EBAC created an online payment option, which will allow you to pay with a credit card. To pay with credit card, please **bookmark**: <https://ebac.ejoinme.org/Peralta>. We will also still be accepting checks or money orders if that is your preferred method of payment.

Once you have determined your monthly rate, you will be able to enter it into the online platform. There is a "reoccurring payment" option that you can select if you would like to save time by having your credit card automatically charged each month. (You will be able to set an end date to the reoccurring option.) Please note that EBAC is charged a 3% fee for each credit card payment. Therefore, there is also an option for you to help cover those fees if you choose (though it is not required).

This online system is brand new so we ask that you please bear with us as we work out any kinks that may occur as we get this off the ground. We thank you for your patience and we welcome feedback that would help us streamline this process!

### EBAC Afterschool Fund

EBAC runs 4 afterschool programs in Oakland. Two of our programs are in under-resourced neighborhoods. EBAC has therefore created an Afterschool Fund to support these programs and work to ensure that all kids in EBAC afterschool programs in Oakland get high quality afterschool

programming regardless of their ability to pay. If you would like to donate additional money to help support those programs, you can do so through our online payment system. All funds collected will go to support one of EBAC's afterschool programs. Donations to this fund are tax deductible.

To make a donation, click the "Donate to Afterschool Fund" header in the orange panel. You will be directed to a separate donation page. Under the header "Please designate my gift to a specific program:" type "Afterschool Fund." This will ensure that the money you donate goes to our under-resourced afterschool programs.

Thank you so much for supporting these updates. We understand that this is a big change but we appreciate you working with us to help better serve our students and families. *Just a reminder no families are ever turned away for the inability to pay.*

Sincerely,



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