

## HOW DOES A FAMILY JOIN Hilltop?

- 1) Read the Policy Handbook and our Statement of Faith first.
- 2) If you agree to honor both documents, schedule a tour. Tours are mandatory before an invitation for membership can be extended. Tours allow you to see how things work at Hilltop in person, which will help you decide if you can commit to the policies.
- 3) You can apply for membership before or after your tour by clicking “Join” at the top of the screen. Fill out the online registration form. We will receive it, review it, and let you know if an invitation for membership will be extended. We try hard to invite new members by the end of June.
- 4) If membership is offered to you, we will send you an invoice for the \$25 application fee and instructions for the **mandatory** background check. If you do not agree to a background check, membership cannot be offered to you.
- 5) After Step 4 is complete, you will be sent an invoice for the annual \$185 membership fee, which is due at (or before) the **mandatory** August meeting. The membership fee covers insurance costs, background checks, building fees, website costs, and other operating expenses. You can read details about our fees in the Policy Handbook.
- 6) Monthly Membership fees begin in September. Those fees cover your child’s classroom consumable supplies and are due at the beginning of each month. The cost is \$7 per child and caps off at four children. No fee for nursery-aged children. You can pay each month or all at once.
- 7) We’re excited to welcome new families! We often have park days where you’ll have an opportunity to meet other Hilltop families before the year begins.
- 8) There is a mandatory orientation meeting for all new members in late August. It is typically on the Friday before co-op begins.