



**Epoch: Waldorf Inspired Nature School
Bozeman, Montana**

Epoch is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization in Bozeman, Montana that seeks to build a thriving Waldorf inspired school, and community, based on anthroposophy and the work of Rudolf Steiner, the founder of Waldorf education over 100 years ago.

Waldorf education is based on the belief that we are spiritual beings having a human experience and the teacher is specially trained to view each child individually and holistically. The arts are integrated throughout the curriculum and the teacher stays with the children through the grades, known in Waldorf as “looping”. The magic of childhood is preserved as abstract concepts are taught through play and rich sensory experiences. Nature is considered one of the greatest teachers as well which is why Epoch is set on a multi-acre property where students can learn among the elements each day.

We ask that parents dress their child appropriately for experiencing the elements of nature including rain, heat, snow, and winds. Each child will have a cubby and a bin for all-weather attire and gear. We kindly request clothing not feature screen-prints, media inspired images, or advertisements and be functional over fashionable so as not to inhibit the children’s focus on learning and encourages inclusivity of all students.

Students will learn woodworking, painting, music, pottery, knitting, gardening, animal care, and other life tasks throughout the school year. A materials fee of \$250 per student will be requested at the time of enrollment and again at the start of the second semester. The skills learned through project completion are essential to developing the head, heart, and hands of each child and are an essential component of their academic success and overall development!

School will be held Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm and follow the Bozeman ISD school calendar, with exceptions made for festivals, field trips and learning enriched travel.

Annual Tuition: \$11,500 paid in full, monthly or bi-monthly

Donations above annual tuition will go into a scholarship fund for families seeking a Waldorf education that need tuition assistance.