



COMPASS ACADEMY

A Farm and Garden Homeschool Learning Co-Op

OUR MISSION

Our mission is to transform the childhood education experience to not only promote academic success but also instill the values of spiritual and physical well-being, entrepreneurship, community, and interdependence. We are passionate about providing a farm and garden learning environment to spark children's curiosity and offer self-directed learning opportunities through real life experiences. Our hope is to guide children toward a life of wellness and financial freedom in their pursuit of passion and purpose.

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INFORMATION PACKET

Ages 5 -11 • Crozet, Virginia

Immersed in farm and garden life, children will be given the space for self discovery and learning within a consistent weekly rhythm. We incorporate an accredited Waldorf-inspired curriculum, and lean into a Reggio Emilia approach of following the children's interests. This is an outdoor program with farmhouse learning spaces for harsh weather days. Organic lunch and snack are provided. You may choose a custom weekly schedule as available.

2025-2026 Schedule

First Day: Tuesday, September 2nd // Last Day: Friday, June 5th

Monday - Friday Day Program: 9AM - 3PM

Afternoon Garden Program: 3PM - 5PM

Our Program Offers...

- Language Arts & Social Studies through Conversation, Storytelling, Reading, Journaling, Guest Community Teachers and Weekly Lessons.
- Science through Immersion, Farm Animal Care, Gardening, Nature Exploration, Research, Cooking and Baking.
- Arithmetic through Gardening, Cooking, Games, Math Gnomes and Weekly Math Lessons.
- Creative Expression through Play, Movement, Art and Music
- Social/Emotional Skills through Group Play, Discussion and Project Collaboration

Daily Rhythm

9:00 Drop Off

9:30AM Morning Circle, Snack and Lesson

10:00AM Immersive (Farm/Garden Activities, Nature Hikes)

12:00PM Lunch & Free Play

1:00PM Afternoon Class (Life Skills, Handcrafts and Art, Language Arts, Science, Math Enrichment)

2:30PM Clean Up, Snack and Closing Circle

3PM Pick Up OR Transition to Afternoon Garden Program



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ABOUT

The Compass Center Foundation's Compass Academy is a farm and garden homeschool co-op program with the goal of bringing the values of self-care, community and interconnected living back to childhood education. We believe children thrive when they feel their days are filled with purpose, when they are surrounded by people working toward a common goal, and when they are given the time and space to figure things out. Our program is outdoors and located on a working farm and orchard. Kids will learn life skills, be involved in food production and animal care, and spend time observing nature and playing. Kids need to dress appropriately! See gear recommendations below. We will utilize our indoor discovery rooms for warming up/cooling down and special activities.

FOOD AND SNACK

How we eat plays a huge role in our moods, energy levels and overall health. Integrative nutrition and self care are important aspects of our curriculum, so it comes naturally that we want to provide nourishing meals during the program as part of the overall learning experience. We will be providing lunch and snacks for the children. We will not serve the children refined sugar, but we will provide a nutritious sweet every once in a while. Lunch will usually consist of a warm soup in cold weather months or sandwiches in hot weather months, roasted chicken or sausage, crackers, olives or hard boiled eggs, biscuits or muffins, and fresh fruit and vegetables. If you have other special food requirements or allergies please let us know. This means you don't need to pack a lunch box!

TUITION & PAYMENTS

2025 - 2026 September 2nd - June 5th

| | ANNUAL TOTAL | DEPOSIT | DUE SEP. 1ST | OCT. 1ST | NOV. 1ST | DEC. 1ST | JAN. 1ST | FEB. 1ST | MAR. 1ST |
|---------------|-----------------|---------|--------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| 5 DAYS | \$11,340 | \$600 | \$1,534 | \$1,534 | \$1,534 | \$1,534 | \$1,534 | \$1,534 | \$1,534 |
| 4 DAYS | \$8,640 | \$500 | \$1,162 | \$1,162 | \$1,162 | \$1,162 | \$1,162 | \$1,162 | \$1,162 |
| 3 DAYS | \$6,480 | \$400 | \$868 | \$868 | \$868 | \$868 | \$868 | \$868 | \$868 |
| 2 DAYS | \$4,320 | \$300 | \$574 | \$574 | \$574 | \$574 | \$574 | \$574 | \$574 |
| 1 DAY | \$2,700 | \$200 | \$357 | \$357 | \$357 | \$357 | \$357 | \$357 | \$357 |

Rates above are for the 9AM to 3PM daytime program. The Afternoon Garden Program information is distributed separately. Invoices are sent monthly via Quickbooks, 15 days before the due date.

CLOTHING AND GEAR

We want your child to enjoy their time with us, and being warm and dry while we explore outdoors is essential to a positive experience! It is important to get into the habit of checking the weather as you help your child dress for the day. Please arrive for outdoor weather, we will help them adjust layers as the day progresses. In addition to their backpack with water bottle, please make sure they wear the following clothing and gear each day that they join us:

Summer: Shorts and a T-Shirt with closed-toed sandals like Keens. Please pack an extra set of clothes, and a bathing suit (optional).

Rain days: Rain pants and rain jacket, socks with tall waterproof boots.

Winter: Base layers and insulated snow pants, fleece jacket mid layer and water resistant outer jacket (layers to remove if we get hot), wind proof winter hat and gloves, insulated waterproof boots, wool socks.



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2025-2026 FINANCIAL AGREEMENT

- Afternoon Classes are \$25/class. You must pay per semester. Fee is inclusive of all supplies.
- Daytime Co-Op tuition is as listed in the information packet. Deposit is due to reserve your child's schedule. The remaining balance is divided into 7 payments due on the first of the month from September - March.
- Payments are accepted via Quickbooks invoicing, or check (made out to The Compass Center Foundation and mailed to: 5455 Jones Mill Road, Crozet, VA 22932).
- Refund policy: There are no refunds offered for your reserved schedule for any reason. If your child is suspended from the program, refunds will not be given on any previously paid tuition amount, and you are not obligated to pay any remaining unpaid tuition amount.
- Cancellation policy: If your student needs to withdraw from the program for any personal reason, you are still obligated to your tuition amount.
- If your child is absent for any reason on a day that you had reserved, we do not offer refunds.
- We follow Albemarle County Public School closures due to community emergencies and inclement weather. Refunds are not offered if our program is cancelled due to school closures for weather or other community emergencies.
- If an invoice is not paid in time, a \$5/day late charge will be incurred. Your child's enrollment will be suspended if a payment is 5 days late or more, and will be reinstated as soon as payment is made.
- There is a 5 minute grace period for pick up, after which there will be a \$1/minute late pick up fee.
- There is a \$35.00 returned check fee on all checks returned by the bank.
- I, _____ have read and agree to the above terms and conditions.

SIGNATURES

Name of child: _____

Parent/Guardian 1: (First:) _____ (Last:) _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

For two household families:

Parent/Guardian 2: (First:) _____ (Last:) _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____