



MONTESSORI
CHILDREN'S HOUSE

As we begin a New Year let us review some basic tenets of the Montessori philosophy that every Montessori parent should know.

MULTI-AGE GROUPINGS – Developmental stages are seen as three-year planes of development, Primary 3-6 years, lower elementary 6-10 years. Children remain in the same level for three years before moving on to the next level.



Halloween Costume Party
Thursday, October 31
8:30am to 10:30am

Please bring children dressed in their costume with clothes underneath or bring a change of clothes. Candy must be individually wrapped.

TEACHER AS FACILITATOR – A teacher's interaction with the child, both verbal and non-verbal, is meant to be limited. The goal is to focus the child's attention on the work so that the child can discover on his or her own.

PREPARED ENVIRONMENT – Shelving, chairs, tables, sinks, and learning materials are carefully designed and strategically arranged to accommodate the child. Teachers spend countless hours preparing the environment daily so that the child can work unencumbered and as independently as possible.

FREEDOM TO MAKE CHOICES – Within the structure of the environment, it is essential for the child to have the freedom to make choices on his or her own.

SELF-CORRECTING MATERIALS – Montessori sensory-rich classrooms have materials that are designed to have the child succeed on their own and with a limited amount of adult interaction.

OBSERVATION AND ASSESSMENTS – The teacher constantly observes the child in his and her environment, taking notes and recording progress to know when the child is ready for the next lesson. These observations and notes help the teacher assess the child's progress, adjust future work of the child, and help parents understand first-hand how the child is progressing.

GRACE AND COURTESY – From the early years of working with street children, Dr. Montessori devoted her energies to helping children understand how to work with one another and the adults around them. This approach evolved into peace education that carried her name and principles through both World Wars and into today.

October Conferences

Sign-ups will be available the week before

Oct. 7, 8th and 9th will be for those parents who need evening times

Oct. 10 is put aside for those parents who can conference in the A.M.

Oct. 11th is a staff workday

Oct. 14th Columbus Day No School



SEPTEMBER '13

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Happy B-Day Dayden & Alex	2	3	4	5 Happy B-Day Zola	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14 Happy B-Day Krishna
15	16	17	18	19 Back to School Night 7-8 pm	20 Staff Workday	21
22 Happy B-Day Will	23	24	25 Happy B-Day Logan & Jada	26	27	28
29	30					



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9 Happy B-Day Mary	10 Parent Teacher No Classes	11 Conferences Staff Workday	12
13	14 Columbus Day No School	15	16 Happy B-Day Ateng	17	18	19
20	21 Happy B-Day Calle & Declan	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31 Halloween Costume Party		