



## Montessori Highlights

The Montessori method of education respects and acknowledges the uniqueness of each child by providing daily opportunities for individualized hands-on learning in alignment with the developmental needs of the child. These daily experiences include presentations in each area of the environment with daily 1:1 learning outcomes in addition to group times.

The classical Montessori program helps children to become independent and foster their sense of wonder. As the children engage in concentrated, purposeful work, they begin to develop self-discipline. They learn to concentrate on their own work and to respect the work of others. Children acquire the skills to solve conflicts peacefully, care for themselves and their environment, and become responsive, young catholic citizens.

The prepared environment is designed for children ages 3–6 years, including children of mixed age ranges. It encourages the child to remain with their teacher for three years as an important part of the Montessori experience. There are six distinct areas of the classroom: Practical Life, Sensorial Materials, Language Materials, Math Materials, Geography/Cultural Studies, Science & Botany, Arts, and Music.

The Montessori teacher presents the children with the materials that are “the dynamic link” to help each child become engaged, self-motivated students. The Montessori classical curriculum is presented with concrete materials that lay the foundation for later abstract thinking to build upon in the elementary years.

It is encouraged you schedule a time to observe in our classroom to experience the prepared Montessori environment that is ready for your child.

Dr. Maria Montessori writes, “The child was my teacher, everything came by answering the needs of the child.”

*Maria Montessori, Her Life and Work*