

Up coming events:

- No school Oct. 7th, Professional development for staff
- Fire safety presentation Oct. 11th
- Picture Days, October 13 North Side & 14 for South Side
- The whole school field trip Oct. 21st
- Parent Ed Night
- Elementary information night

A look a head:

- Talent Show Nov. 10
- Parent/Teacher Conferences Nov. 18
- Thanksgiving Break, Nov. 23-25
- Winter Break Dec. 19- Jan. 2

Mission:

The mission of Schoolhouse Montessori Academy is to provide high quality, private Montessori education that helps each child realize his/her fullest potential. We are committed to providing the highest quality child care and early education to our students and families.

Autumn is here!

Autumn has arrived, October is one of the best months of the year! We will soon be seeing all the beautiful colors of a trillion trees along the highways, country roads even our neighborhood streets. Taking a nature walk will be a perfect opportunity for teaching your child the beauty of the Fall Season!

Parent Ed. Night:

October 27th is Parent Education Night. This is an opportunity for the adults to come into the classroom and learn a little more about the Montessori Method, the materials used in the classroom and some classroom management techniques used by the teachers. It is a fun and informative evening. You will definitely get your “hands on” some of the materials
For pre-primary and toddler families, this is a night for

parents only. We will offer child care for families that need it, but space will be limited. A sign-up will come home soon.

For elementary families, this will be an event for children and their parents. Some of the older students will be demonstrating how to use the Montessori materials. All of the children will have the chance to show their parents around the classroom, highlighting how they spend their days.

Halloween:

Let me take this opportunity to mention about Halloween While not an official holiday, the traditional October 31st Halloween celebration is much beloved by children in America. The day is a chance to don costumes,

‘often depicting ghosts, goblins and other characters to collect candy and other treats in the neighborhood.

To celebrate the occasion at schoolhouse each classroom will have a cooking project, go trick or treat inside the school building. You may send in your child in her/his costume, but please make it simple, easy, accessible to the bathroom and can work comfortably throughout the day. **No mask, weapons or loose fitting costumes.**

No Kids Club on this day Oct. 31st.



“The things he sees are not just remembered; they form a part of his soul.”

Maria Montessori by Amy and Steve Johnson (Montessori Child, Australia)

Nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize three times, Maria Montessori dedicated her life to creating an optimum growth environment for children. Montessori began her scientific observations of children after her graduation from the University of Rome as Italy’s first female doctor. Working first with children in asylums in Rome, Montessori discovered that by creating an environment where children were provided with materials suited to their sensitive periods of development they were able to teach themselves. Montessori looked next to the children of San Lorenzo in Rome and opened a “Casa de Bambini” or Children’s House in 1907. Soon educators and visitors from

far and wide arrived to observe this amazing new concept in education. This innovative educational system was founded not on the direct instruction from the teacher, but on the child’s exposure to a carefully crafted environment.

Montessori’s philosophical theories on child development have been proven time and again through current brain research. She was the first person to talk about sensitive periods of development, or “windows of opportunity”. She also emphasized the importance of movement for cognitive development. Maria Montessori believed each child should be treated with respect, given freedom within the limits of a care-

fully structured environment, and allowed to develop naturally at their own pace.

Dr. Montessori’s main objective was to help children everywhere to reach their maximum learning potential, while becoming well balanced individuals able to cope with the pressures of modern day living. Montessori education provides a range of experiences which will stimulate a child’s love of learning and discovery.