

Montessori Country Day School

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Pre-school/Pre-Kindergarten/Kindergarten Program 2021–2022 School Year For Children Ages 2 Years 10 Months and Older, by September 1, 2021

The Montessori classroom provides a specially prepared environment designed to encourage the child to work at an individual pace towards an understanding of the world. Activities are self-correcting and entice the child to learn through hands-on experiences. The curriculum includes language, math, practical life, and sensorial activities. Music, art, science, geography, world cultures, and computer use are also an integral part of the classroom. Gym, Library, and French classes are incorporated on a weekly basis and a formal Art class is offered bi-weekly (these special activities cannot be guaranteed for students choosing less than a 5 day schedule.) Special programs and field trips are held throughout the year.

In accordance with Pennsylvania regulations, our classrooms are licensed by the Department of Education. Kindergarten students must be 5 years old by October 31st of the enrolled school year. Each school district has its own age requirements and acceptance policies for 1st grade. Enrollment in our program does not guarantee 1st grade placement by your school district for the following year; parents must familiarize themselves with their school district policies.

2021–2022 Rates for Preschool/Pre-K/Kindergarten Programs (Staff/Child Ratio is 1:10)

| 2021–2022 Pre-S/Pre-K/K | Days | Hours | Hourly Rate | 10 Monthly Payments of: |
|----------------------------|------------|---------------|----------------|----------------------------|
| AM Only | | | | |
| 2 Day AM* | T Th | 9:00 to 12:00 | \$13.80 | \$ 298 |
| 3 Day AM* | M W F | 9:00 to 12:00 | \$13.80 | \$ 447 |
| 5 Day AM | M T W Th F | 9:00 to 12:00 | \$ 9.95 | \$ 538 |
| PM Only | | | | |
| 2 Day PM | T Th | 1:00 to 4:00 | \$9.95 | \$ 215 |
| 3 Day PM | M W F | 1:00 to 4:00 | \$ 9.95 | \$ 323 |
| 5 Day PM | M T W Th F | 1:00 to 4:00 | \$ 8.86 | \$ 479 |
| AM with some PM | | | | |
| 5 Day AM + 2 Day PM | M T W Th F | 9:00 to 4:00 | \$ 9.95 | \$ 824 |
| 5 Day AM + 3 Day PM | M T W Th F | 9:00 to 4:00 | \$ 9.95 | \$ 968 |
| Full Day | | | | |
| 2 Day AM/PM* | T Th | 9:00 to 4:00 | \$11.60 | \$ 585 |
| 3 Day AM/PM* | M W F | 9:00 to 4:00 | \$11.60 | \$ 877 |
| 5 Day AM/PM | M T W Th F | 9:00 to 4:00 | \$ 8.86 | \$ 1,117 |

*Subject to limited availability

The lunch hour is included in the tuition for the 9:00 to 4:00 program.

If you have any additional questions about the program or registering your child, please contact the school at 610-777-3080.

Registration Fee and Payment Policies

A \$50.00 registration fee is required to guarantee placement and must be returned with the registration form. This is NON-REFUNDABLE. All tuition payments are due on the first of the month, June 2021 and then September 2021 through May 2022. The first payment is due June 1st, 2021 and is necessary to ensure placement for your child. If you choose to withdraw after making that first payment, you must do so in writing by August 1st, 2021. After receipt of the written request, the first tuition payment will be reimbursed to you. We use an online software system to post tuition charges. All families are able to access the amount due each month. We accept cash, checks, e-checks and credit cards as payment. If you choose to pay with a credit card, you will automatically be charged a 3% convenience fee per transaction. Receipts must be requested from the office.

Additional Daycare and Lunch Hours

Additional daycare hours are available from 7:30 to 9:00 AM, noon to 1:00 PM, and 4:00 to 5:00 PM. Students must provide a lunch from home when using the lunch hour. Prescheduled care is an additional cost of \$11.50 per hour. Drop-in care is available at a cost of \$13.00 per hour.

Pre-scheduled daycare is daycare that has been scheduled through the office and paid for one month in advance, as part of the tuition payment. Drop-in daycare must also be scheduled through the office and paid for at the time of service. Arrangements will be made for drop-in care after staff and child ratios are considered.

Specials and Non-Standard Schedules

You are encouraged to enroll your student for 5 days per week. We find that children do best with a 5-day schedule. We do understand that for some families, a different schedule is preferred. If you choose to enroll your student for less than 5 days per week, you are encouraged to choose a standard M/W/F or T/Th full day schedule. While we endeavor to get every child to each special activity (library, gym, art, and French), it may not be possible when students are enrolled less than 5 days per week.

Half-Day Programs

We offer two half-day programs: the AM program, and the PM program. The content of our afternoon program is identical to our morning program. We use the same classrooms, materials, and teachers.

Sickness, Vacation and Withdrawal Policies

FULL TUITION IS DUE EVEN IF YOUR CHILD IS SICK OR ON VACATION. This payment is necessary to hold your child's slot in the program. If you choose to withdraw your child from our program anytime during the school year, you will not be obligated to pay the remainder of your child's annual tuition. **You will not however, be refunded any portion of tuition already paid to the school.**

Rolling Admission

If there is available space, children can be enrolled at any time throughout the school year. Monthly tuition rates may be different from the rates printed in the chart on this form. Tuition is based on a 180-day school year calendar. Tuition will be pro-rated depending on the time of year your child begins in the program and the number of days remaining in the school year.

Registration Procedures

Please complete the PS/PK/K registration form. Sign and submit it to the school with a non-refundable \$50.00 deposit. Thank you. *If you have any additional questions about the program or registering your child, please contact the school at 610-777-3080.*