

The Children's House Montessori School

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Dear Parents & Guardians,

Thank you for choosing Children's House Montessori School for your child. For the past 47 years, we have been educating toddlers through the 3rd grade. Many of those years we graduated children through the 8th grade at a downtown location. Mrs. Margot Waltuch of New York City, who worked with Maria Montessori, visited our school many times during our accreditation process for the Association Montessori Internationale. She stated that of the hundreds of schools in the US and Europe she had observed we ranked in the top ten. Some of our graduates include 2 Rhodes Scholars and more recently a Presidential Scholar.

Statistics show Montessori has proven to be the best preparation to assure educational success. Research published in the last year indicates standardized test scores of Montessori graduates are consistently in the upper 90th percentile. Additionally, recent studies reveal when children complete their kindergarten year in Montessori there is at least an 80% success rate of completing college.

A Montessori learning space makes accessible a breadth and depth of information that is simply not available in a "traditional" classroom. Dr. Montessori studied children and developed a method of educating the whole child - physically, socially, emotionally, and cognitively. As such, Montessori pedagogy provides vital time for creativity, active play, social development, and a relaxed environment for children to learn at their own pace. Our curriculum includes beautiful material for the children to explore in subjects including language, zoology, botany, math, geography, history, science, music, art, French, and Spanish. The mixed ages of the children in the classroom is also a key element of each child's education. The younger child learns by watching and working with their older classmate while his older peer gains an invaluable development of character. These are some of the reasons we are confident that your child's enrollment at Children's House Montessori School is one of the best long-term educational investments you will make, and we hope that you will continue to allow us to collaborate with you in this endeavor of educating your child.

We are excited to announce that we have recently opened enrollment to children starting at 3 months of age. Additionally, we are looking for a teacher to re-open our elementary program. We are also working with local homeschool families to open our elementary classrooms for them to use 2-3 days per week to supplement their home schooling. We are currently accepting children ages 3mos -9 years for our summer camp and for the 2020-2021 school year. We invite you to come and observe what your child is doing in the classroom before you decide where they will attend kindergarten or elementary. Our family looks forward to seeing you in the classroom soon. Please call to schedule an appointment today.

Respectfully,



Nancy Scott



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RE-ENROLLMENT FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2020-2021

At this point in the school year we are preparing for the 2020-20201 school year. In order to make staffing and budgeting plans we need to know our anticipated enrollment. Current students and their siblings have priority up until Friday, February 14, 2020. After that date, we will accept children from the waiting list.

For your information, please find attached a copy of the Fee Schedule for School Year 2020-2021. and a copy of the school's Financial Policies.

Please complete and return the form below at your very earliest convenience, and no later than Friday, January 31, 2020. The re-enrollment fee is \$100.00 and is due with your re-enrollment form. Payment of this fee will be applied to the annual school fees (\$400.00) due in August. **This re-enrollment fee is non-refundable.**

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the office at 664.5993. Thank you.

Please detach and return. Thank you.

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RE-ENROLLMENT FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2020-2021.

My child(ren) _____ Date of Birth _____
_____ Date of Birth _____
_____ Date of Birth _____

___ **WILL** return to The Children's House Montessori School for school year 2020-2021.

___ I have enclosed a check/cash for the re-enrollment fee of \$100 (per child).

___ Auto-draft my account for the re-enrollment fee of \$100 (per child). *

I understand this fee will be applied to annual fees which are due in August.

*Select this option ONLY if we already have your account set up for auto-draft.

___ **WILL NOT** return to The Children's House Montessori School for school year 2020-2021.

The last anticipated day of attendance for my child(ren) will be _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

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FEE SCHEDULE
SCHOOL YEAR 2019-2020.

The school hours for children who attend half-day (morning) classes are 8:30-11:30am. The full day class hours are 8:30am-2:30pm.

Childcare is offered before and after school hours. The Children's House opens at 7:00am and closes at 6:00pm. Child care is available during the school year (September-May) and during summer school (June - August), with the following exceptions: **Thanksgiving (3 days - W, TH, & Fri), Christmas Eve & Christmas Day, New Year's Eve & New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Day, Presidents Day*, Good Friday, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, and the 2nd Monday of November***. The school is closed on these days and there are no classes and no childcare. School is also closed for a staff workday on the Friday before Summer School starts (May/June) and the last Friday before the new school year begins (August/September). Classes are out during Christmas Holidays and Spring Break. We remain open for childcare for those children regularly enrolled in the before and after class childcare program. **Children who attend classroom hours only DO NOT attend school during Christmas Holidays and Spring Break unless you have signed up for childcare, at an extra charge.**

Tuition is **DUE AND PAYABLE** on the first of each month - please refer to Financial Policies for details. A late charge of \$35.00 is added to ALL accounts not paid on the first of the month; a second late charge of \$35.00 is added to all accounts not paid by the 15th of the month.

SCHOOL FEES (non-refundable - see Financial Policies).

Application fee of \$75.00 for a new student.

Annual school fees of \$400.00 per child (pro-rated after school year commences).

Registration fee for summer school - \$100.00

Building fee of \$150 per child

Technology fee of \$50 per child (ONLY age 3 years +)

PTO Fee of \$35 per family (Payable to: "CHMS PTO")

TUITION (non-refundable - see Financial Policies).

Half-day (morning)	8:30am - 11:30am	3mos.-11mos.	\$515.00 per month
	8:30am - 11:30am	12mos.-3yrs.	\$475.00 per month
	8:30am - 11:30am	3 yrs.-5yrs.	\$460.00 per month
Full day	8:30am - 2:30pm	3mos.-11mos.	\$600.00 per month
	8:30am - 2:30pm	12mos.-3yrs.	\$560.00 per month
	8:30am - 2:30pm	3 yrs.-5yrs.	\$545.00 per month
	8:30am - 2:30pm	6yrs.-9yrs.	\$545.00 per month
Child Care	7-8:15am & 2:30-6pm	All Ages	\$175.00 per month

Tuition rate is for attendance 5 days per week. Tuition is not pro-rated for fewer days' attendance.

When two or more children in a family are attending school FULL TIME the first child will pay full tuition; tuition for each subsequent child will be reduced by \$30.00 per month.

Children who attend for school hours only should be picked up at 2:30pm; a charge of \$15.00 per hour or part thereof, will be charged for late pick-up (i.e. after 2:45pm). Children who attend for childcare hours by should be picked up by 6:00pm; A late pick-up charge of \$10.00 will be assessed for every 5 minutes or part thereof past 6:00pm. This charge is payable to the person who had to remain late to take care of your child. Late pick-up charges are billable per child. School lunch is provided upon request at a charge of \$60.00 per month. Milk is provided upon request at a charge of \$5.00 per month. Lunches and/or milk may not be purchased on a daily basis but must be purchased by the week or by the month.

We require notice in writing one month in advance if you plan to withdraw your child from school before the end of the school year.

*New School Closings for 2019-2020: the 2nd Monday of November and Presidents. These days will be used for staff professional development and parent/teacher conferences. We will also be closed the Wednesday before Thanksgiving.

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FINANCIAL POLICIES

1. Tuition is due and payable on the first day of each month. A late charge of \$35.00 is added to all accounts not paid on the first day of the month. There are no exceptions. If your child is not in school on the first day of the month, or if you are on vacation etc. on the first of the month, your child's tuition is still due and payable on the first day of the month, and you should make the necessary arrangements to have the payment in the office on the first of the month if you wish to avoid the late charge. If your account is not paid on the first, you will receive a statement with the late charges shown as part of the payment due. A second late charge of \$35.00 will be added to all accounts not paid by the 15th of the month. Tuition is **non-refundable**. During the school year the entire monthly tuition amount is due regardless of any time your child is absent from school during that month. We require notice in writing one month in advance if you plan to withdraw your child from school before the end of the school year.
2. When tuition for the month remains unpaid at the end of that month, you will be asked to make other arrangements for your child's tuition until the account is made current.
3. Annual school fees apply to the school year (September – May). New students will pay the entire amount in August. Students who enroll after the school year has commenced will pay pro-rated fees at the time of enrollment. Annual fees cover a variety of things – computer, art, music, creative movement, and foreign language etc. which are part of our curriculum. Annual school fees are **non-refundable**.
4. The \$100.00 re-enrollment fee (for children presently in attendance) should be paid no later than January 31. Payment of this fee will be applied to the annual school fees (\$400.00) due in August. The re-enrollment fee is **non-refundable**.
5. The registration fee for summer school (June-August) is \$100.00 and is **non-refundable**.
6. Building fees cover building, property, and playground maintenance and repair and is **non-refundable**.
7. Technology fees are only payable for children ages 3-9 years and is **non-refundable**.
8. All payments – tuition & fees – must be current by the starting date of school in order for a child to begin class.
9. PTO membership fee is \$35.00 per family and is due at the start of the school year or at the time of enrollment.
10. Each family participates in the annual fund-raiser. Parents who choose to **NOT** participate, donate \$50.00 in lieu of participation. This does not apply to PTO fund-raisers which are a separate entity.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

AUGUST 15	pay annual fees - \$400 for new student; \$300 for re-enrolled student, building and technology fees.
SEPTEMBER 1	pay tuition for September and PTO fees
OCTOBER 1	pay tuition for October
NOVEMBER 1	pay tuition for November
MID NOVEMBER	ANNUAL FUND RAISER
DECEMBER 1	pay tuition for December
JANUARY 1	pay tuition for January
JANUARY 31	re-enrollment fees due
FEBRUARY 1	pay tuition for February
MARCH 1	pay tuition for March
APRIL 1	pay tuition for April
MAY 1	pay tuition for May
MAY 31	last day to pay summer school registration fee