



MONTESSORI
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Parent Programs 2019-2020

MSD offers unique, thoughtfully designed, informative, adult events during the school year that we refer to as our “Parent Programs.” These events provide the opportunity to learn more about child development, best practices when it comes to teaching and parenting, gives you a peek inside the classroom, and more about the hallmarks of a MSD education. There are morning coffees, evening presentations, weekend workshops, Community Gatherings with students, and much more! All of these events are dynamic experiences that get you even more engaged in your child’s education. We look forward to seeing you on campus!

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Reservations / RSVP

Please RSVP for all Parent Programs that denote a reply requested. Events are subject to cancellation due to low RSVPs and/or inclement weather. Notice of cancellations will be emailed.

Also, please let the Receptionist know if you need evening childcare. It is especially important that you RSVP for childcare (see below) so that we have enough coverage and pizza available for all children attending.

RSVP by emailing events@msd-co.org.

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Childcare

Childcare is available for all current MSD students during the following evening Parent Program events this year:

- **Nov. 7:** Alumni Night Roundtable
- **Dec. 3:** Movie - Inside Montessori
- **Jan. 30:** Parent Choice Night

The cost for childcare is \$8 per child and includes age appropriate activities and pizza. The fee must be paid directly to the assistant at drop-off by cash or check. Reservations *must* be made for childcare. See above for reservation details.

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Work Bond

By attending select Parent Program events, Work Bond may be awarded. Please check the description in this brochure, or in the MSD Bee, for the number of Work Bond credits awarded for each event listed. In fulfilling a family's Work Bond obligation for the school year, each family is required to earn at least two Work Bond credits by attending Parent Programs. Of course, we hope you will attend as many as you can!

Please keep track of the Parent Programs you attend on your Work Bond card and note the number of credits earned listed in this brochure. If you have any questions regarding Work Bond, please contact Nicole Kimball (nkimball@msd-co.org) in the Business Office. Thank you for your participation!

Topic Tracks by Theme

Do-Good

Experiences focused on service and learning more about being a good human – two things we love at MSD.

MSD Experiences

Opportunities to dive into classroom lessons and experiences, engaging in Montessori education firsthand, and experiencing MSD for yourself.

Next Level: Program Transitions

Special events to learn more about MSD programs when you are ready to explore what comes next for your child at MSD.

Outcomes: Life After MSD

Opportunities to gain perspective about the long-lasting effects of MSD from our own alumni and experts on how to parent with the long view in mind.

Wellness

Care-taking of self and others is a core MSD community value. Come and learn from members of MSD's Student Support and Wellness Department, our Educational Leadership Team, and others regarding emotional wellness, health, social skills, and more.

Did you know?

When scheduling Parent Programs throughout the school year, we try to accommodate all parent schedules. We plan events in the mornings, mid-day, early-evening, evening, and even a weekend or two! For the evening events we offer inexpensive childcare on campus, which includes pizza and age appropriate activities. If you have feedback that you would like to share with us regarding these events, or maybe you have an idea for a topic, please email events@msd-co.org.

Overview of Topics

AUGUST

MSD 101

Saturday, August 24, 2019, 9:00am-1:00pm

***Please RSVP / Work Bond credits: 4**

This special event is just for our new families. Parents will enjoy a morning filled with classroom adventures, including Specials classes! Come experience firsthand the cool things we do at MSD and see how our dynamic curriculum is put into action each and every day in our classrooms. This a parent only morning at school. Sorry, no childcare will be provided on campus.

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SEPTEMBER

Back to School Night

Thursday, September 12, 2019, 6:00-8:00pm

Join us as our new school year takes ROOT! Come find out what's in store for the year from our Head of School, Board Chair, Parent Association, and Classroom Teachers. We look forward to welcoming all parents and care givers to this very important night.

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Parent Coffee: 8th Grade Outplacement Meeting

Monday, September 16, 2019, 8:30-9:30am

***Please RSVP / Work Bond credits: 1**

Eighth grade parents are highly encouraged to attend this very informative coffee. We will discuss the high school admissions process and schedule individual meetings with your family to talk more about how to make this big transition go smoothly, with regards to finding a wonderful high school fit for your child.

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Parent Coffee: Program Updates - Transitions (PRI-MS)

Thursday, September 19, 2019, 8:30-10:00am

***Please RSVP / Work Bond credits: 2**

Please join Rachel Northrop, Anne Hewetson, and Carrie Ross, our Educational Leadership Team (Ed Team), for a conversation about your child transitioning to the next



program level at MSD. This Parent Coffee will specifically focus on transitioning into Primary, First Grade, and Sixth Grade - all big milestones for children! Discussion will include program-specific information, developmentally appropriate support that we provide, and things that you can do to support your child at home. You will walk away with knowledge about what to expect from this transitional period as well as some ideas to help you and your child navigate the new waters with ease. **This event is intended for parents new to Primary, Lower Elementary, and Middle School, but is open to all.*

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Parent Coffee: Toddlers and Toileting

Thursday, September 19, 2019, 8:30-10:00am

***Please RSVP / Work Bond credits: 2**

Come and learn from the Toddler faculty about child development from two to three years, including how to support toilet learning at home and at school the Montessori way! They will talk about signs of readiness, independence, and the transition into underwear.

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Lessons from the MSD Farm

Sunday, September 22, 2019, 9:00-11:00am

***Please RSVP / Work Bond credits: 2**

Come learn about our Urban Farm program and its involvement with all program levels at MSD with our Urban Farm Team, Lexi Fickenscher and Caleb Gruber. We will start by taking a walking tour of the campus to see all of MSD's current Urban Farm projects, Toddler Village through Middle School. We will then have several hands-on projects, including seed sorting for the Seed Library, constructing a hydroponics system, and seed saving. We will end the morning with a fun and informative lesson on roots, our theme for the 2019-2020 school year.

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Fall Family Stewardship Day - RiverSweep

Saturday, September 28, 2019 9:00am-12:00pm

Bring your whole family and join our MSD community for this annual do-good opportunity at Johnson Habitat Park. Each Family Stewardship Day starts with an hour-long volunteer project, followed by games and crafts with the South Platte River Environmental Education (SPREE) staff!

Register at <http://bit.ly/2IP3om8>.

OCTOBER

Back to Work Night - All Programs

Tuesday, October 1, 2019, 5:00-6:30pm

Work Bond credits: 2

Please join your child(ren) in their classroom(s) for a fun night of learning and sharing! This is a great event for students at all program levels, Toddler through Middle School, to show off the work they have been practicing in their classrooms; you might even learn something new!

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An Evening with Julie Lythcott-Haims:

Author of *How to Raise an Adult*

Tuesday, October 15, 2019, 6:15-8:00pm

*Please RSVP / Work Bond credits: 2

Introducing the first guest speaker in MSD's Distinguished Speakers Series! Please join us as we welcome Julie Lythcott-Haims, author of the New York Times best-selling book, *How to Raise an Adult: Break Free of the Overparenting Trap and Prepare Your Kid for Success*. Her visit will include a session with Faculty and Staff followed by an evening presentation for parents. Julie will be available after the talk for a book-signing. This is a not-to-be-missed event that was made possible by donations from the auction in April 2019.

How to Raise an Adult has been published in over two dozen countries and gave rise to a TED talk that became one of the top TED Talks of 2016 with over four million views, and counting, as well as a sequel which will be out in 2020. Whatever age your child is, you can benefit from hearing Julie speak about how to prepare your child for success. Julie Lythcott-Haims received her bachelor's degree at Stanford University, her law degree at Harvard Law School, and her MFA in writing from the California College of the Arts. She lives in Silicon Valley with her partner of thirty years, their two teenagers, and her mother.

Please feel free to invite a friend or two. Light refreshments will be served. We can't wait to host Julie on the MSD campus!



Community Gathering: “Roots & North America”

Friday, October 18, 2019, Toddler – Middle School
8:15-8:55am, Parent Pre-Gathering Coffee
9:00-10:00am, Community Performance

Community Gatherings feature a special presentation, a guest speaker or storyteller, a cultural fair, performances, etc. These gatherings normally highlight our school-wide theme and/or our continent studies. This year, our school wide theme is “Roots” and our continent studies are on the Americas. Community Gatherings are held every other month and are marked on the school calendar. We host a pre-gathering coffee for parents in order to share more about how our students have been learning about the presentation topic in the classrooms. Parents are always welcome to attend Community Gatherings.

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Parent Coffee: Supporting Literacy Skills in the Classroom and at Home

Tuesday, October 22, 8:30-10:00am

***Please RSVP / Work Bond credits: 2**

Is your child at the beginning of their reading journey or continuing to develop confidence in their reading? Have you felt stuck as a parent as to how to best support them in learning this important skill? If so, we invite you to join Tori Virlee, MSD Literacy Specialist, as well as Anne Hewetson and Rachel Northrop, for information about literacy development in children, and what you can do to support your child’s progress at home. You will learn some of the fundamentals of helping emerging readers with letter sounds, phonics, fluency, and comprehension, that are in line with the work that is done in the classroom. We will also help you know how to find books that are fun to read and will help your child’s confidence grow. The joy of reading is just around the corner!

NOVEMBER

Buzz-In! Week (PRI-MS)

Park your car and buzz-in to your child's classroom to spend some time learning from your child. Classrooms will be open for these special mornings throughout the week (see schedule below). All visits conclude at 9:00am so regular classroom work can start – and you can get started on your own buzzy morning.

- **UE/MS:** Tuesday, November 5, 2019, 8:10-9:00am
 - **LE:** Wednesday, November 6, 2019, 8:10-9:00am
 - **PRI/K:** Thursday, November 7, 2019, 8:10-9:00am
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Alumni Night Roundtable

Thursday, November 7, 2019, 6:00-7:30pm

***Please RSVP / Childcare available / Work Bond credits: 2**

This is one of our favorite nights of the school year! Join us as we welcome recent MSD graduates back to campus to talk about their experience moving to their high schools of choice (independent and public). Come and hear how MSD prepared these amazing graduates for high school and beyond! We will also have alumni parents on hand to answer questions and share their perspectives. Come and meet these inspiring young people for yourself!

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Parent Coffee: What Parents Need to Know About Bullying vs. Teasing

Friday, November 8, 2019, 8:30-10:00am

***Please RSVP / Work Bond credits: 2**

Bullying has become a hot topic for today's parents, and it can be hard to sort out the important issues from sensational media reports about exceptional cases. It can also be challenging to tell when unkind behavior and teasing crosses the line and becomes bullying. This workshop will offer an overview of current information on what bullying is and isn't. Please join our Director of Social and Emotional Learning, Dr. Sarah Hraha, to discuss strategies to encourage conversations between you and your child about what's on their mind and how we can offer our best support to them.



**Parent Coffee: Montessori Beyond the Primary Years
Elementary and Middle School 101**

Friday, November 15, 2019, 8:30-10:00am

***Please RSVP / Work Bond credits: 2**

Come and learn about the Montessori experience at the Elementary and Middle School levels! Anne Hewetson and Carrie Ross will discuss the milestones, experiences, and the continuum of learning that happens in these rich and dynamic MSD programs. Current parents and teachers will also be on hand to share their experiences and perspectives. After the presentation, you will have the opportunity to observe these programs in action! Don't miss this chance to see how Montessori continues to support and foster a love of learning for our older students, throughout the Elementary and Middle School years.

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DECEMBER

Movie: *Inside Montessori*

Tuesday, December 3, 2019, 6:00-8:30pm

***Please RSVP / Childcare available / Work Bond credits: 2.5**

"Free the child's potential, and you will transform him into the world." -Maria Montessori

Inside Montessori is a feature-length documentary film that brings viewers inside Montessori classrooms in five cities throughout the United States. You will learn more about Montessori and how it differs from the traditional model

of education and leave inspired about how Montessori – and MSD – is successfully giving children the chance to reach their full potential. MSD was a sponsor of this film and therefore, we are able to share our love of Montessori by hosting a special showing of this amazing film!

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Parent Coffee: Kindergarten 101

Friday, December 6, 2019, 8:30-10:00am

***Please RSVP / Work Bond credits: 2**

Come and join other prospective Kindergarten parents to learn more about the MSD Kindergarten program. Rachel Northrop will discuss the continuum of learning, classroom structure, curriculum, assessment, milestones, and experiences for the MSD Kindergartener. This is a great introduction to the final and most important year of Primary!



Community Gathering: “Holiday Celebration”

Friday, December 13, 2019, Toddler – Middle School

8:15-8:55am: Parent Pre-Gathering Coffee

9:00-10:00am: Community Performance

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JANUARY

Parent Coffee: The Power of Parenting in an Unpredictable World

Friday, January 10, 2020, 8:30-10:00am

***Please RSVP / Work Bond credits: 2**

As parents, we cannot always control the challenges and stresses that our children face. However, we can serve as a protective factor when our children face adversity. Research and experience have shown that children can be incredibly resilient when in the care of a responsive caregiver. Please join Tori Virlee, a member of the MSD student support team, for a conversation looking at stress on a spectrum from positive to toxic and discuss strategies parents can use to promote their child’s mental health and well-being in the face of adversity.

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Parent Coffee: Primary 101

Friday, January 17, 2020, 8:30-10:00am

***Please RSVP / Work Bond credits: 2**

This is a special event for all Toddler parents to learn more about the next step at MSD, the Primary program. Members of the Primary Faculty will discuss the continuum of learning, curriculum, classroom structure, assessment, milestones, and experiences. After the formal presentation, parents will have the opportunity to observe the program in action.



Buzz-In! Week (PRI-MS)

Park your car and buzz-in to your child’s classroom to spend some time learning from your child. Classrooms will be open for these special mornings throughout the week (see schedule below). All visits conclude at 9:00am so regular classroom work can start – and you can get started on your own buzzy morning.

- **LE:** Wednesday, January 22, 2020, 8:10-9:00am
- **UE/MS:** Thursday, January 23, 2020, 8:10-9:00am
- **PRI/K:** Friday, January 24, 2020, 8:10-9:00am

Lunar New Year Dragon Parade

Friday, January 24, 2020, 9:00am

Each year, MSD celebrates the Lunar New Year with our annual student-led Dragon Parade complete with music, noisemakers, and more! Students and Staff are encouraged to wear red clothing in celebration (and for good luck). Parents are welcome to join us for the festivities!

Parent Choice Night

Thursday, January 30, 2020, 6:00-8:00pm

***Please RSVP / Childcare available / Work Bond credits: 2**


This evening of choice gives parents the opportunity to select a topic of interest, spanning from Toddler to Middle School program levels, presented by MSD Faculty and Staff members. Please indicate topic of interest when RSVPing.

Schedule:

- 5:45-6:15pm Childcare drop-off, parent welcome, and news from the Parent Association. Snacks available.
- 6:15-7:30pm Topic of choice presentations.
- 7:30-8:00pm “Sweet Talk.” Sweet treats provided by the PA and conversation provided by you. Come discuss what you learned in the classroom at your topic of choice.
- 8:00pm Childcare pick up.

• **Montessori in the Home for Toddlers**

A Prepared Environment is a fundamental tenet of Montessori philosophy. Come learn from the Toddler Faculty all about ways to incorporate the Montessori



philosophy in your home and our approach to discipline. There will be a short video and time for questions and answers.

- **Introduction to Positive Discipline**

Please join our MSD Student Support team, Joo Ree Chu, Tori Virlee, and Dr. Sarah Hraha for a great discussion. Positive Discipline is a program developed by Dr. Jane Nelsen. It is based on the work of Alfred Adler and Rudolf Dreikurs and designed to teach young people to become responsible, respectful, and resourceful members of their communities. Positive Discipline teaches important social and life skills in a manner that is deeply respectful and encouraging for both children and adults. Parents who attend this workshop will learn to identify and respond to the need behind a child's behavior rather than reacting to the behavior itself. You will learn tools to employ kindness and firmness at the same time while being neither punitive nor permissive. You will also learn a few things about yourself.

- **The Montessori Math Experience**

Come learn math the Montessori way! The Montessori Math Experience is designed to allow you to view and interact with the MSD classrooms through the eyes of a child because you get to be the child. You'll experience the math materials and lessons through the lens of a MSD student, and have a chance to actively engage with some Montessori math lessons at each program level...and discover why learning math the Montessori way is so engaging and meaningful, and provides our students with a rock solid foundation of mathematics concepts.

- **Meet the Specials Team**

This is a great opportunity to come hear from these very special people directly about the exciting programming and special events they work on everyday with MSD students.

FEBRUARY

Community Dialogue About Equity and Inclusion with Rosetta Lee

Friday, February 7, 2020 – UE/MS Student work

Saturday, February 8, 2020, Time TBD – Parent Workshop

***Please RSVP / Work Bond credits: TBD**

On February 7, Ms. Lee will lead Upper EI and Middle School students in dialogue about identity, inclusion, and ally-ship. On February 8, she will lead a day long workshop for adult members of the MSD community. Topics include: Courageous Conversations, Parenting with Identity in Mind, Talking to Youth About Heated Topics, and Beyond the Why & How: Practical Steps Towards Inclusive Classrooms.

Bio: Rosetta Lee is a diversity speaker and trainer on a variety of topics, including cross cultural communication, identity development, implicit and unconscious bias, gender and sexuality diversity, facilitation skills, and bullying in schools. She has worked with over 200 K-12 public and independent schools throughout the country, as well as many colleges and universities. Rosetta has also served for several years on the faculty of the National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS) Diversity Leadership Institute, as well as the NAIS diversity think-tank cadre, Call to Action. We are so excited to welcome her to the MSD campus!

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Back to Work Night (TODD/PRI/K)

Thursday, February 20, 2020, 5:00-6:30pm

Work Bond credits: 2

Please join your child(ren) in their classroom(s) for a fun night of learning and sharing! This is a great event for students to show off the work they have been practicing in their classrooms; you might even learn something new! After your classroom visit, be sure to stop by the Science Fair in the Arts & Athletics Center and the Book Fair in the Library.

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Upper Elementary and Middle School Science Fair

Thursday, February 20, 2020, 6:00-7:30pm

Work Bond credits: 2

The Upper Elementary and Middle School students will be taking on the role of teacher, presenting their final science projects, giving demonstrations, and answering questions about their cumulative work on this special annual event.

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This is a great evening to see dynamic thinking in action. We encourage all families to stop by and explore the wonders of science with the Upper Elementary and Middle School students.

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Kindergarten KaBOOM!

Friday, February 21, 2020, 2:00-3:00pm

Work Bond credits: 1

Join us for our annual Kindergarten Science Fair where you can see first-hand the explosion of learning that's going on at this level! Kindergarten students will learn about and present experiments revolving around chemistry, physics, and more. You might find that you are learning explosive, new ideas too!

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Community Gathering: "Carnival & South America"

Friday, February 28, 2020, Toddler – Middle School

8:15-8:55am: Parent Pre-Gathering Coffee

9:00-10:00am: Community Performance

Community Gatherings feature a special presentation, a guest speaker or storyteller, a cultural fair, performances, etc. These gatherings normally highlight our school-wide theme and/or our continent studies. This year, our school wide theme is "Roots" and our continent studies are on the Americas. Community Gatherings are held every other month and are marked on the school calendar. We host a pre-gathering coffee for parents in order to share more about how our students have been learning about the presentation topic in the classrooms. Parents are always welcome to attend Community Gatherings.

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MARCH

Lower Elementary FUNDamentals Fair

Tuesday, March 3, 2020, 6:00-7:30pm

Work Bond credits: 2

Lower Elementary students will be putting the FUN in fundamentals as they host an exciting evening celebrating the everyday learning that happens in their classrooms. Students will choose a lesson that they love, have mastered, and would like to teach to you! Kindergarten students and their parents are highly encouraged to attend but all are welcome to come and see our Lower Elementary students demonstrate their knowledge.



Parent Coffee: Inclusive Parenting

Friday, March 13, 2020, 8:30-10:00am

*Please RSVP / Work Bond credits: 2

We live in a world that is representative of increasingly diverse identities, perspectives, and roles. During this morning coffee, join Joo Ree Chu, the MSD School Psychologist, to discuss how children are exposed (knowingly or not) to stereotypes in various settings and by various influences. Parents are invited to learn and practice how to model and reinforce a more inclusive perspective with their children.

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APRIL

Parent Coffee: Education at the National Level

Friday, April 3, 2020, 8:30-10:00am

*Please RSVP / Work Bond credits: 2

Select MSD Faculty and Staff members will just be getting back from their own learning opportunities at the American Montessori Society (AMS) and National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS) conferences. We will be eager to share what the buzz is all about at the national level, and most importantly, where MSD fits into these meaningful discussions on how to best prepare our students for the future. Come get the inside scoop!

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Buzz-In! Week (TODD-MS)

Park your car and buzz-in to your child's classroom to spend some time learning from your child. Classrooms will be open for these special mornings throughout the week (see schedule below). All visits conclude at 9:00am so regular classroom work can start – and you can get started on your own buzzy morning.

- **PR/K:** Tuesday, April 14, 2020, 8:10-9:00am
- **UE/MS:** Wednesday, April 15, 2020, 8:10-9:00am
- **LE:** Thursday, April 16, 2020, 8:10-9:00am
- **TODD:** Friday, April 17, 2020, 8:10-9:00am



Community Gathering: “Earth Day & Doing Good”

Friday, April 17, 2020, Toddler – Middle School

8:15-8:55am: Parent Pre-Gathering Coffee

9:00-10:00am: Community Performance

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Student Gallery Night

Wednesday, April 22, 2020, 5:00-7:00pm

All families and members of the MSD community are invited to see the wonderful creativity of MSD students on display during Gallery Night. Enjoy light refreshments while browsing both 2-D and 3-D artwork created by Kindergarten through Eighth Grade students throughout the school year. Gallery Night is a wonderful opportunity to see what the students have been up to this year in art class and witness their creative growth. Parent volunteer opportunities will be available for this event.

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MAY

Student Cultural Fair: “The Americas”

Tuesday, May 5, 2020, 8:45am-12pm

Each program level will visit the Cultural Fair, hosted by the Middle School students and Magdalena Ortega Neri, our Spanish Teacher (LE3-MS8), to learn more about the Americas (North, South, and Central America). Students will explore various booths with hands on lessons. Middle School students will team up to design, present, and run each booth. Each program level will have a designated time to visit the Fair. If you would like to join your child(ren) and visit the Fair, please check the MSD Bee for the schedule closer to the event.



Parent Coffee: Toddler to Primary Transition

Friday, May 8, 2020, 8:30-10:00am

*Please RSVP / Work Bond credits: 2

Please join Rachel Northrop and other up and coming Toddler parents for coffee and an informal conversation to discuss the transition your child will make from the Toddler program to the Primary program next year.

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Parent & Buddy Lunch Day

Friday, May 15, 2020

11:30am-12:30pm: Toddler and Primary

12:00-1:00pm: Elementary and Middle School

Bring a packed lunch and enjoy a special lunch time with your MSD student on our fields and playgrounds for lunch.

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8th Grade Graduation

Friday, May 29, 2020 9:00-10:30am

We invite our entire community to join us for this very special day. Hearing our graduates reflect on their MSD journeys in their speeches is not only heartwarming and inspirational, but also a great insight into the outcomes of a MSD education. We hope you can join us to celebrate these amazing teenagers as they prepare for high school and beyond!

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Becoming a Love and Logic Parent®

A parenting program designed by the Love and Logic Institute. Mary Bareis-Golumb, Independent Facilitator of Parenting the Love and Logic Way®, will be offering two, six-week, Love and Logic workshops at MSD this year. This parenting program is designed to give parents practical skills that can be used immediately, and it is a wonderful compliment to the Montessori philosophy!

Parenting the Love and Logic Way® offers a “how-to” approach to parenting. Participants will learn:

- How to avoid un-winnable power-struggles and arguments
- How to stay calm and empathetic when our children are doing upsetting things
- How to set enforceable limits
- How to avoid enabling and begin empowering
- How to help children learn from their mistakes
- How to raise children as family team members

Session 1: Wednesdays, 6:00-8:00pm
(2/5, 2/12, 2/19, 2/26, 3/4, & 3/11)

Session 2: Tuesdays, 6:00-8:00pm
(4/7, 4/14, 4/21, 4/28, 5/5, & 5/12)

Registration: \$375 for up to two adults - includes workbook. *Cash or checks made out to 'Mary Bareis-Golumb' accepted. Registrations will be accepted starting December 1, 2019. Check the MSD Bee for registration reminders and details.

**Invite your family, friends, neighbors, and childcare providers to join you for Love and Logic! This event is open to the public. Sorry, no childcare will be available on campus.*

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MSD PODCASTS

You can listen to MSD's podcasts on Podbean, iTunes, Google Play, and Spotify - just search 'Montessori School of Dever.' Links listed below open in Podbean.

Toilet Learning (Toddler Level)

<http://bit.ly/2IPuc5q>

Mary Broeckling, Toddler Teacher at MSD, sharing her expertise on successful Toddler toilet learning.

Smooth Morning Routines

<http://bit.ly/2kF3XhZ>

Anne Hewetson, Director of Elementary Education at MSD, sharing tips and tricks for helping you and your child get out of the house in the morning on time—and happy!

Raising an Independent Child

<http://bit.ly/2IKpFBo>

Rachel Northrop, Director of Early Childhood Education at MSD, sharing her perspective on raising an independent child – the Montessori way!

The Power of a Daily Gratitude Practice

<http://bit.ly/2kFPuCs>

MSD Mom, Michelle Dawson PsyD, teaches you how a simple daily gratitude practice can massively improve your resiliency to stress, make you happier, and improve your sleep. She introduces the neuroscience behind why noticing the good helps to rewire our brains and decrease stress.

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The Adolescent Experience

Part 1. Transitioning to Middle School and Adolescence
<http://bit.ly/2kHwm6Z>

Travis Snyder, former Director of Middle School Education at MSD, gives insight on the transition to Middle School and adolescence. This is the introduction to a three-part series called, “The Adolescent Experience.”

Part 2. Navigating the Adolescent Years
<http://bit.ly/2kF0dwQ>

Travis introduces the Four Montessori Planes of Development, as well as gives some suggestions to navigate the adolescent years. This is part two of a three-part series on this very important topic, “The Adolescent Experience.”

Part 3. The Teenage Brain
<http://bit.ly/2lMQchp>

Travis explains how the teenage brain works and how you can stay sane while raising an adolescent. This is part three of a three-part series, titled, “The Adolescent Experience.”

Staying Connected as a Couple While Raising Kids

<http://bit.ly/2kg1tqf>

It’s so easy to get swept up in the demands of parenthood that you forget about being a couple. Listen to MSD mom, Sarah Tie, MA, NCC, share her wisdom about how to stay connected to your life as a couple while you’re raising kids. She will show you that it’s a great investment in the family because when you and your partner are happy and healthy, your kids are getting the best from both of you.

The Importance of Sleep

<http://bit.ly/2lM6ilh>

Listen as two MSD moms, Michelle Dawson, PsyD, and Lisa Kerscher, LCSW, share the latest brain research to show how vital sleep is in order to clear out toxins, prevent disease, and regulate our stress responses. They will teach techniques that you can implement to manage stress, find better sleep and be a better YOU!

Reflections on a Montessori Education: MSD Graduates Tell Their Stories

<http://bit.ly/2kEZ4FH>

Listen to four of our recent graduates briefly reflect on the outcomes of a MSD education.