



Rochester Montessori School

A Montessori and International Baccalaureate School



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Dear RMS Families

We welcome you and your child to the Rochester Montessori School Community!

Our toddler community supports the School's youngest children by assisting them with becoming independent and self-confident as they learn to socialize and develop expressive language. We do this by providing a safe, caring, and orderly environment to promote growth.

To assure a smooth and comfortable transition for your child, we have scheduled three events.

Home Visit

Your child's orientation program begins with a home visit during the week of August 21st. The purpose of this visit is to allow your child and guide to meet comfortably in your home for 15-20 minutes. We will contact you over the summer to arrange a convenient time to visit with you and your child.

Back-to-School Parents' Welcome & Social

The second event is a night for all parents' which takes place on Thursday, August 24th beginning at 6:30 pm. This night begins in our media center and then continues in your child's classroom where your child's guide will discuss daily procedure, communication practices, and other pertinent information.

Orientation Schedule

Here is your child's orientation at school.

This is held from Monday, August 28th through Friday, September 1st.

Plan to be in the classroom together on Monday. Your child will be in the classroom without you from Tuesday through Friday.

Your child's classroom is

Monday 8/28: Plan to be with your child in the classroom from

Tuesday 8/29: Your child will be in the classroom without you from

Wednesday 8/30: Your child will be in the classroom without you from

Thursday 8/31 Your child will be in the classroom without you from

Friday 8/1: Your child will be in the classroom without you from

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The Full Day Program

If your child is scheduled for full day, it is important to understand that she or he will be in a school setting. As such, we expect your child to be able to:

- Sit in a chair and feed her- or himself
- Drink from a cup - a regular cup, not sippy
- Rest/sleep on a cot in a room with other children

We recognize the full day program can be a long day for some children, if not tiring. This is why we implement an initial 30 day trial period after which we will visit with you regarding whether a full day placement is in the best interest of your child.

Finally!

We enclose a copy of our Toddler Orientation Guidelines. Please review this before coming to school. We also enclose an Information Form. Please complete and give this to us during the home visit.

We look forward to seeing all of you during the orientation program and, of course, during the school year.

Kindly,

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Acorns Toddler Community