



Cypress Grove
MONTESORRI
Academy

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ACADEMY COLORS

Sky Blue and Green

ACADEMY LOGO

Tree of life

ACADEMY MOTTO

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ACADEMY MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to provide a nurturing environment that supports individuality and compassion for all.

ACADEMY VISION STATEMENT

Our vision is to create an academy where we foster a child's natural desire to learn.



OUR METHOD

The Montessori Method has enjoyed over a century of proven success throughout the world.

- The Montessori Method is based on Dr. Maria Montessori's careful observations of the way children learn best. Through her research, she discovered that as children grow, they pass through sensitive periods of social, emotional, and intellectual development; these are the ideal times to introduce new experiences and concepts.
- In a Montessori classroom, learning starts with the child. Montessori teachers are specially trained facilitators in the classroom, ready to assist and direct. Their purpose is to engage and guide the child's joy for learning, while supporting the child's natural desire to become independent. The teacher observes each child's interests and abilities and creates an environment where these can flourish.
- Beautifully crafted interactive Montessori materials give children a deep and thorough understanding of concepts.
- In multi-age groupings, each child works at his or her level in a cooperative setting, creating a strong community, in which they learn from one another.
- Children are empowered to make decisions and take responsibility from an early age. They are problem-solvers who have the self-confidence to make good choices.
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- Children are self-directed in non-competitive activities, which develop strong self-images and the confidence to face challenges and change.
- Believing that children are the hope for peace for the world, Montessori teachers provide opportunities for children to create peace within themselves and the community around them. A strong emphasis on cooperation, respect, and empathy for others underlies the students' experience.
- All of our children from the primary program through lower elementary will have enriched experiences in algebra, geometry, geography, astronomy, botany, zoology, economics, world cultures, history, music, physical education, and fine arts. The Montessori approach is internationally renowned from the development of each child's creativity, individual resourcefulness, and potential. Every day, children and adults practice kindness, compassion, mutual respect, and peace.





THE PRIMARY PROGRAM

Nurturing a Love of Learning

At the primary level (ages 4-6), our educational program is based on the premise that young children flourish in an enriched learning environment with gentle guidance and the freedom to work at their own pace. Children learn by doing. Engaging classroom environments encourage joyful discovery, foster independent learning, and offer opportunities to develop deep concentration. The specifically-designed Montessori materials let children explore the world through their senses, through touch and motion, and by observing and engaging with others.

Cypress Grove Montessori Academy's primary curriculum incorporates pre-reading and math skill development, science activities, geography and cultural studies, sensory exercises, and environmental education. In addition, the students are offered opportunities in music, art, and physical education. Teachers guide students through the curriculum, as children are ready for each new challenge by introducing lessons and then allowing children to practice what they have learned. An emphasis is placed on the process rather than the product of learning; our aim is to develop a love of work and a joy of learning.

Parents marvel at their child's accomplishments and confidence. Whether working alone or with others, children have acquired an impressive level of focus and obvious pride in their work. The primary program is excellent preparation for the inspiring work at the elementary level.



THE LOWER ELEMENTARY PROGRAM

Freedom to discover while developing a strong sense of reason

The lower elementary program, ages 6-9, is designed to develop independent thinkers and learners. At this stage of learning, students are filled with wonder and curiosity as they seek answers to the larger questions about the universe, the human purpose, and social justice. Elementary students are also exploring their social surroundings. The self-focused independence of the younger child gives way to a demanding search for identity within a group and the world. During uninterrupted blocks of time, a child can choose to work alone, with a peer, or in a small group. Students work at their own pace within expectations established in collaboration with their teacher. This fosters important time-management and organizational skills as well as sense of accomplishment and purpose.

The elementary core curriculum, called "cosmic education," by Dr. Montessori, includes language arts, math, geography, history, botany, zoology, and earth science. Classes in art, music, and physical education are an integral part of the curriculum. Teachers ensure that each child is working at a comfortable yet challenging level.

The elementary program cultivates a love of learning and enjoyment of school. A wide-reaching curriculum coupled with in-depth exploration results in students who are well prepared for the rigors of middle school.

OUR TEACHERS

Cypress Grove Montessori Academy has teachers who have a passion and love for children and the natural learning process. Our teachers show an extraordinary dedication to students and their families. The teacher prepares the classroom environment, selects and arranges materials based on the developmental needs of the children, and creates an exemplary learning environment.

All of our Montessori teachers are attaining Montessori certification in addition to a bachelor's or master's degree. A Montessori teacher treats children with patience, understanding, and respect. Through skilled observation, he or she is attuned to the growth and development of each child as an individual and strives to prepare the environment and learning activities to meet the child's needs individually while carefully balancing the needs of the classroom community as a whole. There is a collegial atmosphere among the faculty at Cypress Grove Montessori Academy; they share ideas, materials, and a love for children.

Our Students Will Flourish at Cypress Grove Montessori Academy and Beyond

Equipped with a strong sense of self, a mastery of skills, and a desire to learn, Cypress Grove Montessori Academy students will continue their education successfully in all areas of their educational journey.



GOALS

The main goal is to provide a carefully planned, stimulating environment, which will help the child develop an excellent foundation for creative learning. The specific goals for the children are presented below:

- Developing a positive attitude toward the academy
- Helping each child develop self-confidence
- Assisting each child in building a habit of concentration
- Fostering an abiding curiosity
- Developing habits of initiative and persistence
- Fostering inner security and sense of order in the child

The Montessori approach to education creates an environment that nurtures a lifelong learner, one who finds joy in the search for, and process of, learning. Montessori children are not only accepted at the nation's finest schools, but find acceptance wherever they go. Many of the tenets of the Montessori philosophy have been embraced all over the world, in public as well as private schools. We hope that you will discover this is the way for your child to learn for all time. Learning is one of life's most rewarding journeys. We invite you and your child to share it with us.



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