

VISION

To be an AMS accredited school that embraces the whole child in learning and life: a community of learners forged by the innate possibilities of the child.

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To provide a Montessori learning environment that reveals each child's innate love of learning and prepares all children to thrive in a complex world. As a child-centered, diverse school, we are dedicated to creating a community that instills peace, courtesy, grace and respect while inspiring children from three to grade six to develop higher-order thinking skills and leadership capacity. Encouraging academic excellence and student success, the Indiana College and Career Standards serve as a springboard for our Montessori Implementation.



In partnership with students, families and our community, the South Bend Community School Corporation provides the respect, encouragement and support every student needs to attain the knowledge and skills necessary for post-secondary success.



Marquette Montessori Academy

"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world."
— Nelson Mandela



MARQUETTE MONTESSORI ACADEMY

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About Us

PRINCIPAL
Mrs Deb Cyrer

MONTESSORI FACILITATOR
Mrs Carrie Meeks

AGES SERVED: Ages 3 - 6th Grade

SCHOOL HOURS:

8:00am – 11:30am (ages 3-4)
8:00am – 3:00pm
(full day schedule starts in kindergarten)

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE:

Bright Beginnings (ages 3 – 6th Grade)
6:30am – 8:00am
Kaleidoscope Club (Kindergarten and up)
3:00pm – 5:30pm
Contact: Jenny Joyce - 574.393.6054

Our **Teaching Staff** is fully licensed by the state of Indiana. In addition, most of the staff holds credentials from Montessori Accreditation Council of Teacher Education for the level at which they teach. Those that do not hold Montessori credentials are in the process of working toward them at the appropriate levels.

Practical Life Fee covers snack, special projects, animal care supplies and some field trips. Early Childhood fee is \$50 per year. Lower & Upper Elementary fee is \$25 per year. This fee is in addition to SBCSC Text Book Fees.

Observations start in October, call school office to schedule a visit. A cleared Criminal History Check must be on file.

Transportation/Busing is available for all MMA students that reside outside the “self-transport”/ “walker” zone for MMA.

“We must provide children with the right environment, for their proper development depends on vital activity in and on the environment.”

Dr. Maria Montessori, Education and Peace



MULTI-AGE CLASSROOMS

- * Early Childhood (ages 3 - 5 by August 1st)
- * Lower Elementary (grades 1 - 3)
- * Upper Elementary (grades 4 - 6)

Provides opportunities for children to develop leadership skills and to learn to work with others. Children stay with the same teacher for three years so relationships with families can be fostered over time.

INDIVIDUALIZED INSTRUCTION

- * Allows children to move at their own pace through the curriculum.
- * Teachers use assessment data to plan instruction based on individual student needs
- * Creates children that are self-confident, independent learners interested in the world around them
- * Provides numerous opportunities for children to explore their own interests in depth.

CURRICULUM

- * All Montessori classrooms have a full complement of Montessori materials to allow for concrete, hands-on learning opportunities
- * Every day living skills are taught to foster independence
- * All state standards are addressed through the Montessori sequence
- * Physical Education, Art and Music are offered to students beginning in Kindergarten
- * Conflict resolution skills are taught to children as part of our peace curriculum.

SERVICES AND PROGRAMS

- * Montessori parent education series offered annually
- * Parent Lending Library
- * School-wide Enrichment Days once a month (preschool students do not attend)
- * Active PTO that holds regular monthly meetings and supports school initiatives
- * Title I Intervention

