

Key Montessori Principles

Child-Centered Learning

The focus of activity in the Montessori setting is on children learning, not teachers teaching.

Hands-On Learning

Direct contact with real objects of study bring learning concepts to life and allow children to understand them more deeply.

Intrinsic Motivation

Each child's own internal motivation is fostered through freedom of choice and independent activities.

Focus on Individual Development

Children progress at a personal pace and receive individual attention from teachers as they move through each area of learning.

Cooperation and Collaboration

Children are encouraged to work in partnership with others and treat each other with respect and kindness.

Child as Spiritual Being

Montessori education recognizes each child as a full and complete human being and celebrates the individual spirit within each child.

Global Understanding

The Montessori curriculum is international in its heritage and focus, and consciously seeks to promote a global perspective.

Service to Others

Community service programs within the classroom, school, and beyond help promote the ideas of stewardship and compassion.