



Children are not a distraction
from more important work. They
are the most important work.

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Dear Parents,

This September will begin our 27th year of offering Montessori education to area students. It has been an incredible journey, witnessing the children naturally progress throughout the program, most from preschool to 8th grade. This past year several alumni visited me and some of their teachers, and of course, Mrs. Phenix. We talked about their Montessori memories, had some good laughs, then moved on to their accomplishments since leaving Montessori. I love them all and can't help but have a great sense of pride, knowing that they have achieved their goals, are good people and productive adults. Hearing their feedback truly confirms the value of their Montessori education. I am very excited to be able to continue to offer this pedagogy to your children!

As in the past, I invite you to visit your children during the school year, to spend some time observing their day and to develop a sense of how the Montessori classroom functions. You may be overwhelmed on your first visit and maybe even your second visit. However, once you can see the materials that your children talk about, experience how they work, and hopefully, research more about the Montessori philosophy, you will be able to connect to your child's daily experiences. You will also have another opportunity to familiarize yourself with your child's experience by attending the preschool – kindergarten open house on September 7th and by attending the Elementary and Middle School *Mandatory* Parent Orientation on the 18th of September. Please mark your calendars.

I'd like to end this letter with a special thank you to a very special lady, Katrina Strozik, who has been very involved with the Montessori Night Out for several years. She has chaired The Montessori Night Out for the past three and has so with great gusto. She has also been a staunch supporter of the Montessori Pedagogy and a dear friend of our school.

I wish you a great finish to the summer and look forward to seeing you very soon.

In Peace,

Alice Marie Levesque
Principal and Montessorian

“The Child is both a hope and a promise for mankind.” Maria Montessori