



Montessori
School
of WAUKESHA

Preschool–
Middle School,
ages 20 months
to 8th grade

2012 Summer Program

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*Fostering each child's potential
and a life-long love of learning*

Dates: June 4th to August 17th (*school is closed the week of July 2nd–6th*).
Summer registration for the week of May 29th through June 1st is reserved for
students currently enrolled at MSW.

Times: School is open from 7:00 am to 5:45 pm, Monday
through Friday.

Children's House themed classes and Montessori Enrichment
take place from 8:30–11:45 am. Elementary themed
classes are from 9 am to noon. Please have your child
bring a packed lunch if staying after 11:45 am. Blocks of
time are available for additional before and after school
care. All children under age 5 will be offered a nap in
the afternoon.

Flexible scheduling options: Customize a school
schedule that works best for you and your family. Pre-
Children's House and Children's House children must
enroll for a minimum of two days per week. Elementary
children can enroll from one to five days per week.



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Pre-Children's House (20-36 months)

Your child will enjoy a wide range of challenging, rewarding activities such as planting seeds, making window clings and painting hats. This classroom introduces developmentally-appropriate Montessori materials to your child in preparation for the Children's House classroom, emphasizing the importance of independence and self-discipline. Practical development activities include hand washing, pouring, self-dressing and more. Potty training is not required to enroll. If staying past 11:45 am, please have your child bring a packed lunch to be served at 11:45 am. A nutritious snack is provided mid-morning and mid-afternoon. All children will nap from 12:30 until 3:00 pm. Children must be registered for a minimum of two days per week.



Children's House (3-5 years)

Make it a memorable summer for your child with hands-on, fun-filled, enrichment classes. Each week includes creative works, stories, songs and food preparation (*as applicable*). With an extraordinary 3-acre school facility, your child will have access to grassy play areas, woods, sand boxes, swings and outdoor play equipment. The school's amenities are available for free play and all around good fun using squirt bottles, blowing bubbles and running through the sprinkler.

Consistent with the Montessori philosophy, classrooms are prepared for the various levels of development, according to the needs of each individual child. Prior Montessori experience is not required. To participate in any scheduled field trip, children must attend at least three days of that week; the field trip day can be the third day. Children must be registered for a minimum of two days per week.

Montessori Enrichment (3-5 years)

This program is separate from the weekly themes in Children's House. Sessions are available for your child to be in a Montessori-prepared environment led by a Montessori certified teacher. This classroom is specifically designed with opportunities for lessons and use of Montessori materials in math, language and sensorial areas. Practical life and cultural areas will also offer an enriched focus on cooking, music, science and art. Outdoor activity will be incorporated daily, weather permitting.

This setting provides an excellent opportunity for students to maintain and improve upon skills acquired during the preceding school year and also serves as an introduction to students joining the Montessori classroom in the fall. Because daily lessons are built on each other, children must be registered for the entire week in order for the Enrichment program to be effective.

Weekly Themes

Week	Dates	Themes	Description
0	May 29– June 1	Carnival	Come one, come all to our own Montessori carnival. Children will test their skills on a variety of games, enjoy carnival food, listen to carnival music and leave with a prize bag. Fun, fun, fun!!!
1	June 4–8	Let's Celebrate!	Enjoy a week of holiday celebrations around the world. Featured countries include China, Germany, India, Mexico and the United States.
2	June 11–15	Story Telling & Drama	Children will enjoy and gain an understanding for a variety of stories as they act them out using simple props, sounds and songs.
3	June 18–22	Gardening	Can you dig it? Our busy week will include creating pressed flower pictures, potpourri, planting pots and gardens, painting t-shirts with leaves and bugs and finally making paving stones and petal necklaces. Join the gardening club through this hands-on adventure in nature.
4	June 25–29	Fun at the Beach	Grab your hats and sunglasses while we explore in the sun with sand and water.
5	July 9–13	Young Scientist	Children learn to predict, observe and mix as they engage in simple physical science experiments.
6	July 16–20	The Life and Books of Tomie dePaola	Through his colorful illustrations in books such as <i>Strega Nona</i> and <i>The Legend of the Indian Paintbrush</i> , we will come to know this warm and caring author.
7	July 23–27	Animals, Animals, Animals	What makes a bird a bird? Why is a dolphin a mammal? Have fun with crafts, games, books and more. Friday we will enjoy a stuffed animal picnic day.
8	July 30– August 3	Olympics	What are the Olympic games? Let's have fun playing and learning about its history, symbols and traditions.
9	August 6–10	Creepy, Crawly Critters	Children will explore and learn about insects. We will dig, read stories and create some critters. We may even eat some! Join us for a "buggy" week.
10	August 13–17	Fun Week	Come spend your last week of summer having lots of "fun" with your friends. Everything from tie-dying and baking to water play and ice cream making. Don't miss out on this crazy-fun week!

Elementary/Middle-School (Grades 1-8)

Students will have the opportunity to experience different worlds and areas of interest. Mornings are a time of exploration in the classroom with different themes each week; a field trip related to the week's area of study may be scheduled on select Fridays.

Afternoons will feature a variety of activities, including swimming on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Tuesdays are reserved for Zumbatomic®, the groovy, high-octane health and dance fitness program just for kids. Thursday afternoon activities are specifically constructed to accommodate and enhance your child's unique interests and abilities.

In addition to the themed programming available to the elementary students, we also offer Math & Language Enrichment for students who will be enrolled at MSW in the fall. This program is offered each morning from 8:00 to 9:00 am and is limited to 10 children per week. In order for the Math & Language program to be effective, families must select five consecutive days on a week-by-week basis.

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1	June 4-8	Art Through the Ages	Maria Montessori considered art to be one of the spiritual needs of man. Join us as we discover how humans have expressed themselves through art from prehistoric to modern times. We will recreate cave paintings, mosaics, sculptures and more.
2	June 11-15	The Mesozoic Era	This era in the history of our earth was dominated by reptiles found on land, in the water and in the air as well as dinosaurs of all sizes. Come to learn about these unique, now extinct animals.
3	June 18-22	Ancient Civilizations in the Americas	The Mayans, Incas and Aztecs were three dominant civilizations in Central and South America. Learn about their daily lives and their contributions to art and science.
4	June 25-29	Artistic Expressions	Artists like Georgia O'Keefe and Laurel Burch have demonstrated beauty in many forms. Budding artists can explore their own artistic expressions through acrylics, clay, watercolor and jewelry making.
5	July 9-13	Deserts Hot & Cold	What is a desert? Where are the major deserts of the world? What plant and animal species call this their home? Why are some considered hot and others cold? These are just a few questions that will be answered as we explore these unique places.
6	July 16-20	All Things Constructed	Grab the Kapla Blocks, Legos, Erector sets, wooden blocks, marble run, etc. and get creative. Amaze your friends with your creations or work together to make something stupendous.
7	July 23-27	Wading into Wetlands	Land frequently designated as conservancy is done that way for a reason. Learn about the importance of wetlands, their locations and the plants and animals that call it home.
8	July 30-August 3	Incredible Science	Transform into a scientist as you conduct hands-on experiments in chemistry, biology and physics. Discover the excitement of science when you see the results of your experiments.
9	August 6-10	Grab Your Passport	Prepare to be a world traveler as we visit countries around the world learning local culture, games, art and sampling food which you will help prepare.
10	August 13-17	Phylum Chordata	Each day we will investigate one class of animals within the phylum. Learn the main characteristics of each class and specific animals within it.

Feature classes for Grades 4-8

Dates	Themes	Description
June 18- June 22	Outdoor Adventure Week	Start the week by learning about outdoor safety including protection from the elements, bugs, plants, and more. Then, get introduced to Geocaching using a GPS and take a trip to local caches. Continue with backpacking and hiking. You'll be able to plan a trip, navigate and use topographical maps. Brush up on bicycle safety and improve your skills. End with a bike ride on the Glacial Drumlin State Trail from Waukesha to Dousman and back (bike and helmet required-drop off to be done at trailhead in Waukesha).
July 30- August 3	Aviation week	Explore the history of flight and discover how airplanes fly. Fly model aircraft. Take a trip to the local airport and view the airplanes up close.

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Calendar

May 29-June 1	Pre-Children's House	(Current Students Only)
	Children's House	Carnival (Current Students Only)
June 4-8 (Week 1)	Pre-Children's House	
	Children's House*	Let's Celebrate!
	Elementary/Middle School	Art Through the Ages
June 11-15 (Week 2)	Pre-Children's House	
	Children's House*	Story Telling and Drama
	Elementary/Middle School	The Mesozoic Era
June 18-22 (Week 3)	Pre-Children's House	
	Children's House*	Gardening
	Elementary School	Ancient Civilizations in the Americas
	Grades 4-8	Outdoor Adventure Week
June 25-29 (Week 4)	Pre-Children's House	
	Children's House*	Fun at the Beach
	Elementary/Middle School	Artistic Expressions
CLOSED July 2-6		
July 9-13 (Week 5)	Pre-Children's House	
	Children's House*	Young Scientist
	Elementary/Middle School	Deserts Hot & Cold
July 16-20 (Week 6)	Pre-Children's House	
	Children's House*	The Life and Books of Tomie dePaola
	Elementary/Middle School	All Things Constructed
July 23-27 (Week 7)	Pre-Children's House	
	Children's House*	Animals, Animals, Animals
	Elementary/Middle School	Wading Into Wetlands
July 30-August 3 (Week 8)	Pre-Children's House	
	Children's House*	Olympics
	Elementary School	Incredible Science
	Grades 4-8	Aviation Week
August 6-10 (Week 9)	Pre-Children's House	
	Children's House*	Creepy, Crawly Creatures
	Elementary/Middle School	Grab Your Passport
August 13-17 (Week 10)	Pre-Children's House	
	Children's House*	Fun Week
	Elementary/Middle School	Phylum Chordata

*Montessori Enrichment also available this week.

