

Monday Montessori Moments



Monday February 15, 2016

A Message from the School Counselor

Maria Montessori's educational approach is very unique. Character education is embedded in the Montessori Model of Education. Maria Montessori observed that the origins of a child's character surface within the first six years of life. She states that the environment to which a child is exposed will influence his or her future character development.

Maria Montessori believed that character education—teaching children to take care of themselves, each other and the world around them was just as important as pre-academic skills such as phonetics and number recognition. The Montessori Model of Education teaches children at an early age the important virtues/values of good character.

We believe at Maria Montessori academy that nurturing good character qualities by trained, professional, and passionate teachers is part of the educational experience from Pre-k to 9th grade. "Practical Life" skills such as mopping up a spill, feeding the class pet, taking out the trash, and cleaning up after themselves are part of a Montessori classroom every day. We educate the whole child, and believe that social and emotional growth is just as important as academic growth.

Not only do we integrate grace and courtesy lessons daily, but we are also educating the children with character education lessons. Each week the school counselor focuses on a character trait/quality as outlined through the book, "What do you Stand For?" by Barbara A. Lewis. There is a lesson and activity for each trait, and education on how to implement that quality into their daily lives. We believe that by setting the foundation for good character, our students will not only learn how to be good students, but will also learn to be good members of their family and community, as well as how to be exceptional human beings.

Valeri Cruze
School Counselor

February

February 16th

Box Top Store

February 23rd

Ski Night at Nordic
Valley, at 4pm

March

March 2nd

Dr. Seuss Day

March 9-10th

Maturation
Programs for 5th, 7th,
8th and 9th grade

March 15th

Boxtops Store

March 24th

Ski Night at Powder
Mountain

March 28th

SAGE testing
begins

March 31st

Literacy Night
6:00-8:00 PM



What's New at MMA?

Dress Code Reminder:

Please follow these links to review our dress code policy, and to see examples of MMA approved clothing. We would ask parents to make every effort to help support their children in choosing Dress Code appropriate clothes every day.

<http://mariamontessoriacademy.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/08/Dress-Code-Guidelines-Updated.pdf>

<http://mariamontessoriacademy.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/Dress-Code-Samples.pdf>

Buy Your Ski Night Tickets!

Tickets for the Nordic Valley Ski night will be on sale after school this Friday, the 19th.

Maria Montessori Academy will be having our annual Science Fair. Our 4th and 5th graders Science Fair day is on February 17th, 6th and 8th graders Science Fair day is on February 18th.
The Fair will be open to parents and the public from 3:00- 5:00 on the 17th and 18th after school.

It's Soccer Season!

MMA would really love to have a co-ed soccer team this year for grades 6-9. While nothing is yet set in stone, we are beginning the process of finding some coaches. If you are interested in helping coach, please email Anna Hafen

ahafen@mariamontessoriacademy.org

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Maria Montessori Academy
Friday March 18, 2016 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM
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