

Monday Montessori Moments



Monday April 18, 2016

A Message from the School Counselor:

Jr. High Registration time has begun!! Registration assemblies were held last Friday with all 6th, 7th, and 8th graders for next year. They were very informative and your kids had amazing questions.

I am so excited to let you all know of the wonderful choices of electives we have for next year. We are adding some new clubs/sports as well. All of this information is included in the Jr. High Handbook available online. Please look through the handbook to get detailed information about our elective classes as well as the required ones.

The registration forms came home with your students Friday. 6th graders received a yellow form, 7th graders received a green form, and 8th graders received an orange form. Please take the time to review these with your children and help them choose their elective classes. They need to be signed by both the parent and the student. These forms are due back no later than Friday April 22nd. Even if your child is not planning on returning to MMA next year, please return the forms stating that you are not returning so I can keep track of all students.

Amazing things are coming to our junior high. We have built an amazing program and we look forward to another wonderful year.

School Counselor
Valeri Cruze

This Week for Spelling Bee....

April 18th & April 19th: Spell Check Tests!
These tests will be done in the classroom to determine the top three spellers from each room.

Wednesday April 20th: Teachers will send home with each participating student the student's graded tests and an invitation for the finals. The top three students will be chosen from each classroom to participate in the school-wide spelling bee.

Friday April 22nd: School-wide spelling bees will take place in the gymnasium!

- **LE- 9-10am**
- **UE- 11-12pm**
- **Junior High-12-1pm**

*Your students are welcome to attend any of the spelling bee assemblies at their teacher's discretion.

Your support is crucial in the following areas:

- Encourage your student's participation.
- Help your students learn to correctly spell the 50 words and then move on to spell as many as possible!

I hope that you share our excitement about our school's participation in the Great American SpellCheck. Together we can encourage strong spelling skills and build a fantastic community! Please be sure to ask questions if you have them.

What's New at MMA?

April

April 19th

Box Tops Store

April 20th

~Graduation Pictures
for Kinder, 6th and 9th
grades

~Kindergarten

Orientation Night, 6:30
PM

April 22nd

Early Out: AM Kinder
out @ 10:30,
PM Kinder-9th out @
1:00

April 25th-29th

6th Grade Field Trip to
the Redwoods

April 28th

Freshman Field Trip
Final Meeting @ 6:30

MAY

May 3rd

SPED Parent meeting @
6:30

May 5th

MAPA Meeting @ 7:00
PM

May 6th

No School

May 9th-13th

Freshman Field Trip

Bring in your Box Tops!

*Box tops store will
be on Tuesday the
19th so don't forget
to bring in all of
your cut and
unexpired box tops!*



The MMA SPED department is pleased to announce we have scheduled a parent night with 3 workshops that will assist you in understanding the IEP, IDEA, and How to Deal with Difficult Behavior. We have it scheduled on Tuesday May 3rd from 6:30-8:00. All parents are invited but the focus will be on helping families who have a child with a disability. More information is to come. We would love to see as many people there as possible. Please save the date.



Watch the following video, which has been created to assist teachers, parents, and students in interpreting the individual student reports -

<http://stream.schools.utah.gov/videoarchive/assessment/SAGE.mp4>.

Dear MMA Community,

The Junior High is leading a bazaar (garage sale with food and craft booths) as a fundraiser for the 9th grade classes of 2016 and 2017.

The sale will be in the MMA parking lot on Saturday, April 30th from 9am to noon.

There are 3 ways for you to help and support the MMA 9th graders:

1) Donate. Bring items to be sold in the garage sale (no clothing or stuffed animals please).

Good condition toys, games, books, household items, knick-knacks, art, picture frames, sports equipment or other items can be brought to the yurt beginning Monday, April 24th.

Contact Marie Griffith for more information or to arrange storage of larger items:

mgriffith@mariamontessoriacademy.org

2) Buy a Space. For \$25, you will be assigned a space (three parking spaces) in the main MMA parking lot to sell your items. You will need to provide your own tables, collect your own money, etc. Spaces must be reserved and paid for in advance by Thursday, April 28. Contact Lora Dipoma to reserve a space and get details:

ldipoma@mariamontessoriacademy.org

3) Come to the sale and buy something!

Bring your neighbors and friends too!!

Maria Montessori Academy and Children's Garden Montessori
Presents:

2016-2017 EARLY CHILDHOOD ORIENTATION

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20th 6:30 – 7:30 PM

Come learn about our tuition-free kindergarten and our tuition-based preschool Montessori programs

THIS IS A KINDERGARTEN AND PRESCHOOL PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT.

Join us to learn about the Montessori philosophy, what to expect during your child's first year at MMA, meet the early childhood teachers, tour the classrooms and ask questions.

MMA is excited to congratulate Claire Zeigler for her art work being selected as the winner in the *Young Artist Water Education Poster Contest* for the Weber Basin area. She has won a cash prize of \$125 for the school! Congratulations Claire!

Mandatory Freshman Student and Parent Meeting:

Students who are attending the Freshman Field trip the week of May 9th-13th are required to come to this last meeting with a parent. The meeting is scheduled for April 28th at 6:30 PM.

Last chance to order your yearbook!

Here is just a bit of the cover to get you excited. The yearbook class has been working so hard and is very excited to let you see their hard work on the first ever PreK to 9th grade Maria Montessori Academy hardcover yearbook.

Yearbook orders are being accepted now through April 20th.

Order yearbooks by following below:

Step 1: Go to www.memorybook.com/parentpay

Step 2: Enter your pay code 78444 and click next

Step 3: Use the drop-down boxes to select your child's House teacher.

Step 4: Choose either a standard yearbook for \$25 or a personalized yearbook (this option will print your child's name and up to 4 icons on the front cover) for \$30.

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