



Letter from the MCS Board

January 28, 2022

Dear MCS Families,

Enrollment for the 2022-2023 school year has begun and there are exciting new possibilities for our school. Each year, the Board of Trustees must balance the goals of quality education, affordable tuition rates, and the financial standing of our nonprofit, parent-owned school. The Board's governing principle is to preserve the school's core focus of offering a superb Montessori education for students while adapting to the changing needs of the community.

In pursuit of that mission, the Board undertook a close examination of our financial health along with an annual competitive analysis of local Montessori Schools. We determined that MCS continues to offer excellent value through competitive pricing. In order to sustain our quality programs and operate in a fiscally responsible manner, the Board approved a modest tuition rate increase for 2022-2023.

In summary:

- Toddler, Preschool, and Kindergarten tuition will increase by 5%, while remaining competitive with most other area Montessori schools
- Application fees only apply to new students and will remain the same as previous years
- We continue to offer the sibling discount

We continue to offer a wide range of options to meet the needs of our families: one Toddler class, three Mixed-Age classes, one of which can accommodate our young preschoolers who are ready for Primary, an Extended Day program, Aftercare, as well as Music, French, Peace program and other fun enrichment programs.

Our Toddler program has been quite successful in introducing Montessori to our youngest students ever (16 months - 2.5 & 3 years) and this next year we hopefully will be opening a second Toddler class. Our Mommy (or Daddy) and Me program took a break because of Covid and hopefully we will be able to bring it back as well in the upcoming year.

This next month is when many families tour and choose their preschools. One of the most valuable ways you can help the school is to share your MCS experience with friends, neighbors, and colleagues, and invite them to attend an Open House or schedule a private tour. Feedback through social media platforms like Yelp, Google, our Facebook page and website are simple and effective ways to broaden our audience. Full enrollment helps us achieve our budget needs and minimizes tuition increases.

MCS offers a unique Montessori experience for the best value in the area. We are confident that we have a comprehensive program that will benefit everyone – new and returning families alike! We look forward to your child returning to our school next year.

Very truly yours,
The MCS Board of Trustees