

## Early Childhood and Kindergarten Programs

## Early Childhood Options Ages 3\* to 6

Three, Four, or Five Day Morning Program 9:00 am - 12:00 Noon Three, Four, or Five Full Day Program 9:00 am - 2:30pm

Three Days: MTW or WThF

Our half-day program is offered to children three\* to six years old. We offer this program for families who are looking for a part-time schedule for their preschoolers. These children are fully incorporated into the Montessori classroom while having time for family activities. We offer two 3-day schedule options, two 4-day options, and a 5 day option. Since young children find comfort in more consistent schedules, our schedules are on consecutive days.

Our 5-day morning program is available to all children. With five days, children are given the opportunity to truly master all work in the classroom. They are able to participate in all daily activities such as letter sound days or special days which may be missed with a 3 or 4-day program. We offer this program to families who are looking for the "total" Montessori experience and to children who have progressed beyond the 3 or 4-day experience.

We also offer a full-day program, and parents are welcome to choose from a three, four, or five full-day schedule for their preschoolers.

Montessori Kindergarten Program 9:00 am - 2:30 pm Ages 5 - 6 (Child must turn 5 by August 31)

MTWThF 9am - 2:30pm (5 Full Days Only)

We offer a special Full Day Program for our Kindergarten-age children who have attended at least one year of Montessori preschool and have been determined to be academically ready. These children are in their regular classrooms in the mornings with a full mixture of ages. In the afternoon, these small groups of older children concentrate on the more advanced Montessori materials. Special emphasis is placed on introducing these children to more group and teacher-led activities. In this way, it serves as a bridge between the Montessori classroom and more traditional first grade placements. More advanced music classes, field trips, Science Fridays and special "Full Day Kindergarten only" activities complete the curriculum.

\*All pre-requisite ages are approximate and depend upon the readiness of each child. Children must be independently toilet-trained and three years old in order to enter our Early Childhood Program.



## Two's Program

Two\*, Three, Four, or Five Morning Program 9:00 am - 12:00 Noon Ages 2\* to 3+ Two\*, Three, Four, or Five Full Day Program 9:00 am—2:30pm

Our Two's Program serves as a gentle introduction into the Montessori school environment by offering two-year-olds a two, three, four, or five half-day schedule from 9 am until 12 noon during the school year. The purpose of this program is not to replace the primary caregiver, but to compliment their experiences by adding social and academic opportunities in a slightly more structured and academic environment than a child would find at a home or center. Because this is truly an educational experience, and not simply child care, the program hours and days are limited to the young child's ability to sustain attention and maximize their interest without overtiring. Montessori Learning Centre understands that young children thrive on consistency. We therefore offer only consecutive day schedules which are shown to be most beneficial to the young child when adjusting to a new routine. The Two's Program has a gentle phase-in program at the beginning of each school year to help these young children settle in.

<sup>\*</sup>Children need not be independently toilet-trained in order to enter our Two's Program.

<sup>\*</sup> Two Days: Mon/Tues Only (limited spots available)



## Before & After School

Before School Care 7:30 am - 9:00 am Daily

After School Care 12:00 Noon or 2:30 pm - 6:00 pm Daily

Learning takes place all day at Montessori Learning Centre. Staffed by highly-qualified Early Childhood professionals, this program provides not just convenience for working parents, but quality enrichment for children who would like more social and creative experiences in their Montessori day. Children in before care begin the day in a quiet and relaxing environment filled with manipulatives for learning, as well as quiet activities, to ease the transition into the day. Children who come for after school care will experience group activities, crafts, outdoor play, themed units for learning, and lots of time for making friends in a fun and productive manner. Nap time is available for those younger children who still benefit from a nap. Plenty of outdoor and gross motor play is also built into the day to ensure that every child receives a balance of academic, social, and physical enrichment daily. This program is billed hourly. Please see our tuition schedule for detailed pricing.