

Montessori for Parents



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Dr. Maria Montessori

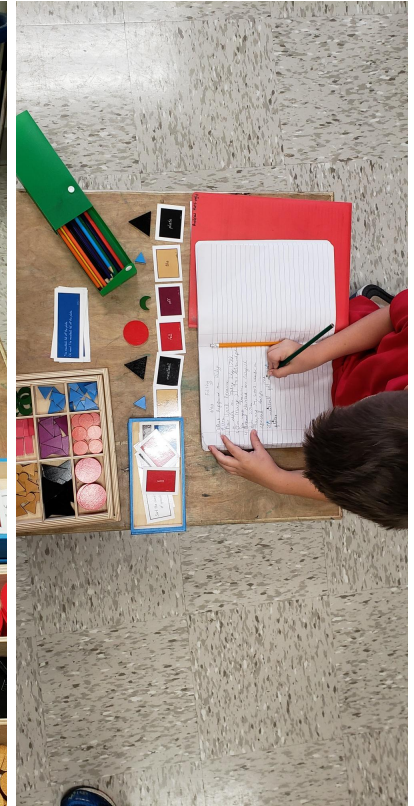
- Dr. Montessori was one of the first female physicians in Italy.
- She began her education work with mentally disabled and behaviorally disturbed children at the Orthopedic School in Rome.
- Montessori transitioned to serving neurotypical children, bringing some of the educational materials she had developed at the Orthophrenic School.
- She established her first Casa dei Bambini or 'Children's House', which opened in 1907.



4 planes of development by Maria Montessori

<i>Infancy</i>		<i>Childhood</i>	<i>Adolescence</i>	<i>Maturity</i>
<i>0 to 3</i>	<i>3 to 6</i>	<i>6 to 12</i>	<i>12 to 18</i>	<i>18 to 21/24</i>
<i>Absorbent mind (inconscious)</i>	<i>Absorbent mind (conscious)</i>	<i>Reasoning mind</i>	<i>Humanist mind</i>	<i>Specialist mind</i>
<i>Help me do it myself</i>		<i>Help me think</i>	<i>Help me think with you</i>	<i>¿How can I help you?</i>
<i>Physical and biological independence</i>		<i>Intellectual independence</i>	<i>Social, economical and emotional independence</i>	<i>Moral and spiritual independence</i>
<i>Exploring the environment through the senses (What?)</i>		<i>Exploring ideas and information (Why? How?)</i>	<i>Transition from family life to life in society</i>	<i>Self-knowledge and self-realization</i>
<i>Weak health</i>		<i>Strong health</i>	<i>Weak health</i>	<i>Strong health</i>
<i>Great physycal and psycological changes</i>		<i>Uniform growth</i>	<i>Great physycal and psycological changes</i>	<i>End of uniform growth</i>
<i>Formation of man</i>			<i>Development of man</i>	

Curriculum and Materials



The Prepared Environment



The Classroom is prepared with the child as the center, not teacher.

What else do you notice about the classroom environment?

Preparing the Home Environment

Questions to Ask:

- What is done in this space? By the child? By the parent?
- Can my child do everything he or she is expected with the current arrangement?
- How can I as the parent direct my child with the environment versus my words or directions?



Questions?

The next Friends of Montessori Parent Education topic is “Montessori and Discipline”.

It will take place at Wilson Montessori School Date TBD.

Resources

www.fomhouston.org

www.mariamontessori.com

www.montessori-ami.org

www.whiningisclosed.com