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Dayton Montessori Society News

“There must be provision for the child to have contact with nature; to understand and appreciate the order, the harmony and the beauty in nature”. Maria Montessori

Student Enrollment

We are currently taking applications for our waiting list. Only returning students have guaranteed spots for fall 2020 until we know what our allowable class sizes will be. When we know, we will award spots in the classes to those on the waiting list, starting with siblings of current students.

Please contact Ms. Mary via email, website, or school phone if you have questions this summer.

Welcome to the 2020-2021 Dayton Montessori Society Community! We are so glad to have our returning students back with us for another year, and to welcome potential new families to our school. Look for a newsletter from us at least once a month.

What will school look like in the fall?

The short and honest answer: we don't know yet. Neither does anyone. Until we know for certain (As soon as we hear from Governor DeWine's team and the Ohio Department of Education), we are proceeding 1) as though we will all be able to return to school as we would like to, and 2) with the knowledge that we have to make some changes. Some of the ways we absolutely will be addressing the situation are:

- multiple cleanings per day of high-touch surfaces
- individual, staggered, and outside work and eating areas
- more individual materials to replace shared items
- preparedness for possible at-home periods
- potential smaller class sizes
- eliminating unnecessary people in the building
- use of face coverings and other best practices

Early Payment Date Extended

If your family is planning to take the Early Payment discount by paying your tuition in full, we are **extending the due date for payment to July 15, 2020**, to accommodate the uncertainty of the times. (If you *can and wish to* still make payment before July 1, we greatly appreciate it.)

You will receive an email confirming the class, regular daycare usage, and method of payment etc. your child is signed up for and a total for early payment (-10%) or Smart Tuition payment plan. If you have indicated you will use Smart Tuition to pay tuition this year and are a returning family, your account will be rolled over this month. If you are a new family, you will be sent instructions on how to sign up for Smart when your enrollment is confirmed.

Support DMS while you shop

If you are an Amazon shopper, please consider linking your account to DMS via Amazon Smile. We get donations for every purchase made using a linked Smile account.

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2. *Go into the main menu of the Amazon Shopping app and tap into 'Settings'*
3. *Tap 'AmazonSmile' and follow the on-screen instructions to complete the process*

Now Hiring

We are currently hiring for the positions of

- Classroom assistant (part or full time)
- daycare assistant (before and/or after school)

If you know someone well-suited to working with our students, please give them our contact information and send me a reference. We always enjoy recommendations from our trusted parent community.

Something to do together

We hope you are out and about enjoying nature while staying safely distant from others. If you haven't already, consider trail hiking! Five Rivers Metroparks is hosting a Trail Challenge to get families out exploring the wide variety of parks and beautiful natural areas in the Miami Valley. Check out the challenge: [MetroPark Trail Challenge](#)