

2023-2024  
Winter  
February 1

# Dayton Montessori Society News

*"The child who has felt a strong love for his surroundings and for all living creatures, who has discovered joy and enthusiasm in work, gives us reason to hope that humanity can develop in a new direction."*

~ Dr. Maria  
Montessori

## Contact Us

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## Office Hours

Tours by appointment.

## Looking Forward

We hope you are all staying warm and cozy through this chilly time. As you know, we go outside for recess whenever possible, even in the snow or light rain. Allowing the students daily access to fresh air, exercise, nature, and large spaces for large movements is a necessity for all ages. For this reason, we hope the students come to school prepared for the weather every day. We stay inside when the "feels like" temperature gets down to 20°. We look forward to leaving these cold weeks behind us.

It is enrollment season for the 2024-25 school year. Re-enrollment forms are attached to this email and will be available on the website soon, along with the Fee Schedule and Calendar for next year. Current students and their siblings have priority until March 1, when we open enrollment to new families.

## Calendar Reminders

- February 6 -- Middle Eastern Drum Demonstration
- February 14 -- Valentine's Day -- Students may bring in cards.
- February 16 -- Teacher Work Day -- No School
- February 19 -- President's Day -- No School
- February 20 -- Bookmobile
- March 8 -- Last Tennis lessons for elementary
- March 12 -- Bookmobile
- March 15 -- Irish Dance Demonstration
- March 21-22 -- Conferences
- March 25-29 -- Spring Break

## Winter Preparedness

### Delays and Cancellations:

For purposes of weather-related delays or cancellations, Dayton Montessori Society follows Huber Heights Local Schools. We also send emails and post on our website when we delay or cancel.

### Winter Gear:

Students must have winter coats, water-proof gloves, hat, and snow boots at school every day throughout the winter. Layers are advised for changing weather conditions throughout the day.

## Drivers, Absences, Late Arrivals, and Pick-ups

If your child is going to be picked up by an alternate person, go home with a friend, be in daycare unexpectedly, or be picked up early, please call the school, send a written note, or send an email in the morning or as soon as possible. It is very helpful to have this information at the start of the day. Messages left or emails sent at the end of the school day are not always seen by pick up time.

## Valentine's Day

Students in all classes may choose to bring in Valentine's day cards to distribute to their classrooms. Specific requirements for your child's class will be communicated by your child's teacher closer to Feb 14. Each child should at least write their own name on their cards, so you may want to start that this coming weekend.

The 3-6 class has 18 students.

The Lower Elementary has 16 students.

The Upper Elementary has 15 students.

## 2024-2025 Enrollment

Attached to this newsletter is the Re-Enrollment form for 2024-25. Please fill out the form and submit to DMS by March 1 to let us know that your child is returning. If you have friends who are considering enrolling their children, now is a great time for them to schedule a tour or observation at DMS. We are currently accepting applications to the waiting list for all classes. Below are the relevant deadlines for enrollment:

- Feb 1 -- EdChoice Renewal/New application opens (See [EdChoice Information for Parents](#))
- Feb 15 -- Re-Enrollment for current students opens at DMS
- March 1 -- Enrollment for New Students opens at DMS
- March 15 -- Deposits are due to hold student spots (\$225 per student)

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