

Montessori Families

Kamloops Public Montessori is a district-wide program open to all students in School District #73. Students attending the program come from neighbourhoods throughout our community, including North Kamloops, Valleyview, Sahali, Downtown, Paul Lake, Cherry Creek, Barnhartvale, Rayleigh, Westsyde and Aberdeen.

Montessori families and teachers have unique reasons for making Montessori their choice in education. We invite you to meet our Montessori family and to hear their thoughts about the program...

I like Montessori because there are more than one grade, so it teaches you Leadership

– Layne Bymoan

You can work on different things at different times and it's more independent learning

– Jack Kennedy



Montessori is a place where we respect people with courtesy and compassion
– Ballin Li

Montessori is a great fun place to be

I like Montessori because of the responsibility you have for your own work and that we learn practical life skills

– Tatianna Mueller



The Classroom

The Montessori Classroom, also known as “the prepared environment” is child-centered. Classrooms and materials are designed for 3-year age groups, a structure that enhances academic learning opportunities for younger children while developing the leadership skills of older children.

Preschool/Kindergarten, grade 1-3 and grade 4-6 classes provide large group, small group and individual learning opportunities. Within this environment the child drives the pace of learning, choosing materials that excite and interest them.

The diversity of learning activities recognizes and allows for the unique interests and learning styles of each child.



“Education is a natural process carried out the by human individual, and is acquired not by listening to words, but by experiences in the environment”

–Maria Montessori

Why Montessori?

The aim of Montessori education is to foster competent, responsible, adaptive citizens who are lifelong learners and problem solvers. Montessori education provides children with skills for today's society. They learn to:

- Think critically
- Solve problems, and
- Work collaboratively

The blend of social and academic learning promotes respect, confidence and self motivation in children.

Montessori fosters creativity, independence of thought and action, a positive self image, joy and a spirit of service to others and the environment.

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Montessori in Kamloops

Public Montessori has been an educational choice for families in School District #73 since September 2001, when a classroom opened for children in grades 1 to 3.

This successful program has now expanded and in September 2005 public Montessori was offered to intermediate students in grades 4 to 6. The Montessori classrooms are located at Aberdeen Elementary, 2191 Van Horne Drive.

The Kamloops Public Montessori program adheres to all requirements of the BC Ministry of Education. Students are integrated within Aberdeen Elementary and School District #73 programs. Students are eligible for entry at all levels, from Grade 1 through Grade 6. Parents are responsible for providing transportation for their children.

Aberdeen Elementary is recognized for:

- It's highly respected music and band program
- A strong and involved PAC
- Inclusive and dynamic staff dedicated to the growth and development of all students
- Participation in the Virtues Project – a holistic approach to character education for families of all cultures.

Kamloops Public Montessori at Aberdeen Elementary

"Education for Life"



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