

Heartwood Montessori School

Curriculum and Enrollment



It's That Time of Year

Enrollment season is upon us!

For some people, making the decision to keep their child at Heartwood is a no brainer. But sometimes, deciding between private school and a public school option can feel like a sea of grey. How do you know which style is the best fit for your child? How do you even begin to try and figure that out?

We want to help you get to the bottom of these common questions. We have planned a series of talks focused on describing what Montessori is (and isn't) at each grade level. It is our hope that these meetings will help to make your decision making process a whole lot easier.

All of the meetings described in this newsletter are also listed on our [school calendar](#). Childcare will be available each night for ages 3 and older.

Dates at a Glance

Current and prospective families are invited to join us at any of our informational meetings.

Know someone who is curious about the Montessori method? Invite them to come along!

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January 17th:
6:30 - 8:00 PM

CHILDREN'S HOUSE
(AGES 3-6)

January 24th:
6:30 - 8:00 PM

MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL (GRADES 7-12)

February 21st: 6:30 - 8:00 PM

K/EL (GRADES K-2)
AND
LOWER
ELEMENTARY
(GRADES 1-3)

January 31st:
6:30 - 8:00 PM

UPPER
ELEMENTARY
(GRADES 4-6)

Information Night:
February 7th
6:30 - 8:00 PM

SCHOOL-WIDE OPEN HOUSE

January 23rd -25th: 9 -11 AM

Drop by and observe any of our classes , *Children's House through high school*, during their work cycle.



Montessori: The Whole Picture

January 17, 6:30 - 8:00 PM

Join us as we take a look at the Montessori method and philosophy through the ages.

Montessori: The Whole Picture will begin with a short journey through our classrooms. Afterwards, participants will be invited to join us for a panel discussion. Teachers from each grade level (Pre/K through High School!) will be represented. Our discussion will be focused on the use of concrete materials to build abstract understanding of concepts throughout the ages. We will also discuss the transition process from one three year cycle to the next. Parents will be invited to ask questions and join in the discussion. This is an evening you don't want to miss!

Childcare will be available for children ages 3 and older.

Please RSVP for this event.

Children's House (Ages 3-6)

January 24th, 6:30 - 8:00 PM

What makes the Children's House and Montessori Kindergarten unique?

Join our panel of Children's House teachers as they discuss what makes our Program different than what you might see in traditional Preschool, and especially in Kindergarten. It is not just the advantage that the children receive through the use of Montessori equipment! Learn more about how respect for children as individuals drives the whole approach. You will hear from our Kindergarten Director with examples of how project based activities peek the interest of our 5 year olds. Parents will be invited to ask questions and join in the discussion.



Childcare will be available for children ages 3 and older.

Please RSVP for this event.

K/EL (Grades K-2) and Lower Elementary (Grades 1-3)

January 31st, 6:30 - 8:00 PM

What happens after Kindergarten?

Are you wondering what happens after Kindergarten? We would love to let you in on the magic of the lower elementary classes! From the iconic 5 Great Lessons, to the age of reading and writing, the 6-9 year old child is all about questioning and acquiring information through research in the Montessori classroom. Our discussion will also include the transition from the Children's House or Kindergarten environment into the Lower Elementary classroom. Both prospective and current families are invited to attend.



Childcare will be available for children ages 3 and older.

Please RSVP for this event.

Upper Elementary (Grades 4-6)

February 7th, 6:30 - 8:00 PM

How does Montessori meet the unique needs of the Upper Elementary child?

Did you embrace the Montessori philosophy when your child was younger but now find yourself facing an unfamiliar “abstract” curriculum as your child is aging into the Upper Elementary classroom? Or perhaps you’ve noticed that your child is no longer thriving in their traditional school environment and you are exploring ways to better meet their developmental needs?

Join us for our discussion of the Upper Elementary classroom. Discover what makes our classrooms unique! From their open ended, integrated and research driven curriculum to their co-operative, non-competitive culture. The ideas presented during the discussion will be supported with examples of student's work. If you are a prospective family or have a rising fourth grader, this is an evening you do not want to miss!

Childcare will be available for children ages 3 and older.

Please RSVP to this event.

Middle and High School Question and Answer Session

February 21, 6:30 - 8:00 PM

Ever wondered what the “big kids” do at Heartwood?

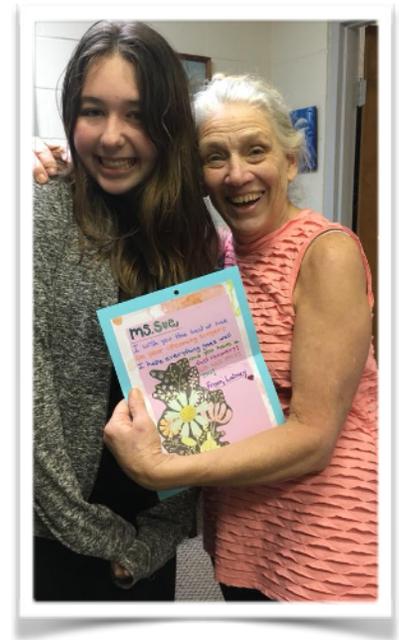
Our middle and high school program is growing! You may be surprised to find out that not all of our students have a Montessori background. Many of our older students have come to us with a traditional school background.

Please join us for a question and answer session in which we will explore the many benefits of our program, one of them being the emotional support that it offers our students. Respect between both teachers and students is practiced daily.

Ray and Missy McClure, husband and wife team teachers, are well loved by their students. They go “above and beyond” by keeping everyone in their “school family” engaged with assignments, as well as practicing peaceful resolution of conflict, group projects, outings, community service, and plenty of laughs.

Childcare will be available for ages 3 and up.

Please RSVP for this event.



Open House

January 23rd - 25th

Drop by anytime from 9-11 for an informal tour of our classrooms.

The Toddler House will not be participating in our Open House. If you would like to tour that classroom, please call the office to schedule an appointment.

Our classrooms will be expecting you! Please drop by and observe the children during their work cycle, ask questions of students and teachers, and enjoy the peaceful Montessori classroom.

We have three Children’s House classrooms (3-6 year olds), two Lower Elementary classrooms (6-9 year olds), a Transition Class (5-7 year olds), two Upper Elementary classrooms (9-12 year olds), plus a Middle School group (7th and 8th grades), and our High School group.

There is no need to RSVP for this event. See you there!