

WHY CHOOSE MONTESSORI?

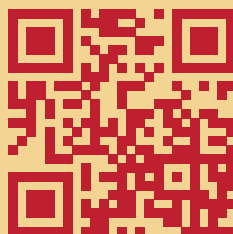
Uplands Montessori is a choice program in the Langley School District. It is the only **free, publicly funded** Montessori program offered in Langley. We have Montessori trained and dedicated teaching staff working with our families to help facilitate and inspire a life-long passion for learning in all students. Our school takes pride in developing the whole child throughout their Montessori education journey.



A SELF-DIRECTED, HANDS-ON, LEARNING THROUGH EXPERIENCE APPROACH FOR OUR STUDENTS

START YOUR CHILD'S EDUCATION JOURNEY NOW

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CHILD



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ENVIRONMENT



The teacher prepares the environment to encourage independence, freedom within limits, and a sense of order.

TEACHER



The child interacts with the teacher when support and/or guidance are needed.

CHILD

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"The education of even a very small child, therefore, does not aim at preparing him for school, but for life."
— Maria Montessori



START YOUR CHILD'S EDUCATION JOURNEY IN

MONTESSORI

AT UPLANDS ELEMENTARY

LANGLEY SCHOOL
DISTRICT
CHOICE PROGRAM
FROM K-6

What will you see in your child's Montessori classroom?

STUDENTS

Children, through individual choices, make use of what the environment has to offer to aid in their development.

- Kindergarten (only stand-alone grade)
- Multi-age groups in each class. Ideally, the classrooms are grades 1/2/3 and 4/5/6
- Remain with the same teacher for three years, (except for Kindergarten)
- Freedom to select work within a structured environment.

TEACHERS

The child interacts with the teacher when support and/or guidance are needed.

- B.C. professional certified teachers
- Montessori trained or in training
- Follow Montessori and B.C. curriculum

PREPARED ENVIRONMENT

The teacher prepares the environment to encourage independence, freedom within limits, and a sense of order.

- Full set of specially designed Montessori learning materials
- Balance between freedom and responsibility.
- Fosters independence
- Extended work cycles: unbroken work time to foster the child's concentration
- Work appropriate for each child
- Promotes respect of self, others, and the environment

CURRICULUM AREAS

- Practical life (Kindergarten)
- Sensorial (Kindergarten)
- Cultural (botany, zoology, geography, science and social studies)
- Geometry and math
- Language
- Fine Arts
- Physical Health

WHAT IS MONTESSORI?

Montessori is a method of education based on a self-directed, hands-on, "learning through experience" approach to learning. It was developed by Dr. Maria Montessori, who was a three-time Nobel Peace Prize nominee born in Italy in 1870. Her educational method evolved over fifty years of work with children worldwide.

Dr. Montessori believed that a truly educated individual continues learning long after the years spent in the classroom because of an inner motivation, a natural curiosity, and a love of learning. The aim of a Montessori education is to provide a learning environment that contributes to the development of reflective individuals who are caring and ethical members of the community.

KEY PRINCIPLES OF A MONTESSORI EDUCATION

- Individualized to meet the needs of the child
- "learning through experience"
- multi-age groupings which promote peer teaching and learning
- individual, small group, and large group lessons
- learning through multi-sensory experiences
- choices in learning such as where, when, who, and what to learn with or about
- The Great Lessons: "The Story of the Universe", "The Story of Life", "The Story of Math", and "The Story of Language"

