

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

~Marie Montessori



A Heart to Heart from the Director, Jennifer Duncan

Dear Parent,

Thank you for taking the time to consider Love, Learn & Laughter as the perfect educational center for your child.

Becoming a mom changed my entire life. I felt a strong desire to leave my administrative manager position and transition to an opportunity that would enable me to use my gifts and live my passion for educating children from birth to age six. For the past eleven years, I've been able to own and operate an in home family daycare, as well as continue my education and complete my long time dream of becoming a certified Montessori teacher.

For me, birth thru age six is such a precious age. Everything about the young child is changing and developing in so many new and exciting ways. Teaching and working with this age group is exactly where I feel I'm supposed to be.

I know that you will feel the warmth of love and the excitement of learning when you enter our doors. I welcome you to experience all that we have to offer. I feel so blessed to be able to do what I love – helping children learn and grow in a safe and happy environment.



Explore....

Learn....

Grow....

Program Options

Monday - Friday 6:30-6:00

- ◆ Infant
- ◆ Toddler
- ◆ Preschool
- ◆ Before/After School Care

Full Time Schedule

- ◆ Full week \$200 Infants/Toddlers
- ◆ Full week \$190 Preschool
- ◆ Daily Rates available

*Anything over 4 hours is considered a full day
DHS accepted*

Part Time Schedule

- ◆ Full day/part time \$40/day (I/T)
- ◆ Full day/part time \$38/day (Pres)
- ◆ Schedules available M/W/F or T/R

Anything under 4 hours is a flat rate of \$25/day

School age care

- ◆ AM or PM only \$40/week
- ◆ AM/PM \$65/week

Summer Program

Hands on

learning

experiences



Love, Learn & Laughter Montessori and Childcare Center



**Where learning and laughter
go hand in hand!**

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Why Montessori?

Montessori is centered on establishing independence, self-esteem, and confidence while fostering learning at a child's own pace. According to the American Montessori Society, four principle goals encompass

what the Montessori method hopes to achieve.

- ◆ awaken your child's spirit and imagination;
- ◆ encourage his/her normal desire for independence and high sense of self-esteem;
- ◆ help him/her develop the kindness, courtesy, and self-discipline that will allow him/her to become a full member of society;
- ◆ help him/her learn how to observe, question, and explore ideas independently.

One of the basic elements of Montessori Philosophy is that children have an inner need to learn from their environment.

- ◆ Children are dynamic and curious and have an inner need to know the world. A Montessori classroom is carefully organized and prepared with fascinating materials, child-size furniture and equipment.
- ◆ The child is able to learn through physically exploring, touching, building and experimenting within the environment around them.



◆ Hands-on learning in math, language, sensorial, exploration, art, science, geography and practical life activities creates an atmosphere for students to make life-long discoveries and a place to use their

imagination.

The Process sets the foundation for life-long learning

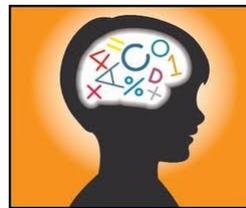


- ◆ Classroom activities prepare the children for subsequent or concurrent work in mathematics, reading, writing, collaboration and socialization.
- ◆ Through Montessori work, children develop strong observation and problem-solving skills.
- ◆ Independence is a key element of Montessori philosophy -- in preschool, and beyond. Children choose activities from the environment and work at their own pace alone, or in small or large groups.



The Importance of Early Childhood Birth - Six

Early years are vital years in our children's lives.



They are unique in terms of children's intellectual, emotional, physical and social development and the formation of children's ability to interact successfully with the world around them, both

in early childhood and in later life. They are the springboard for creating confident learners and participative citizens. Numerous research studies confirm that the first years of life are critical for the intellectual and emotional development of a child. Research supports that, "From birth to age 6, the individual develops 50% of his mature intelligence." The Montessori classroom believes that successful learning requires the provision of a safe, secure and stimulating environment for the critical early stages. The nature and quality of care a child receives play a significant role in how he or she develops.

Our Mission



At Love, Learn & Laughter Montessori and Childcare Center, we will provide a loving and secure, home away from home environment. Research shows that the ages of 0 to 6 are critical learning years. Learning is accomplished through an age appropriate, child-centered approach. Children's learning initiatives are based on preparation for school readiness, as well as life skills. We have an open door policy and encourage an open line of communication as we work together to provide a secure, safe and nurturing environment for every child.

Curriculum

- ◆ Montessori Learning Approach: Language, Everyday Living, Math, Sensorial, Art, Peace Education
- ◆ Organic/Natural meals prepared by a Dietician
- ◆ Brain Gym
- ◆ Introduction to Spanish
- ◆ Piano Lessons
- ◆ Introduction to Sign Language
- ◆ Parent/Child Learning Workshops
- ◆ Organic Gardening
- ◆ Multicultural Experiences
- ◆ Summer Enrichment Themes

Staff

At Love, Learn & Laughter, childcare and education are provided by highly trained, dedicated teachers who encourage children's natural curiosity to explore and learn.

- ◆ Certified Montessori Head Teacher
- ◆ Caring & Nurturing Individuals
- ◆ CPR/First Aid Certified
- ◆ Early childhood education and experience
- ◆ State/Licensing Background clearance