



Montessori School of Lemont

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SAVE THE DATE



November 1st
Tuition due

November 2nd-3rd
NO SCHOOL

November 5th
Parent-Student Evening
Green & Purple Rooms

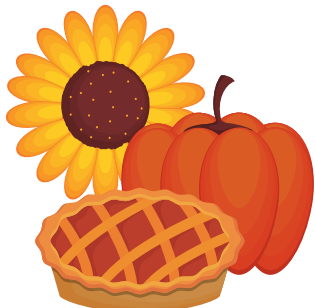
November 6th
Parent-Student Evening
Blue & Yellow Rooms

November 7th
Trim-A-Tree Brookfield Zoo

November 12th
Parent-Student Meeting
Orange & Silver Rooms

November 23rd-24th
Parent-Teacher Conferences
NO CLASSES

November 25th-27th
Thanksgiving Break
NO SCHOOL



FALL fest RECAP





Parent Student Evenings

Parent-Student Evening is a special opportunity to step into your child's Montessori world and experience learning through their eyes. Held twice each year, this event puts the children in the spotlight as they proudly showcase their classroom curriculum! From demonstrating lessons and presenting their favorite works to sharing their discoveries across subject areas, students take the lead in showing you what they've been learning and how they grow each day. It's a wonderful chance to see their confidence, independence, and joy in learning shine while connecting with the friends who make their school days so meaningful!



Thursday, November 5th
Green Room & Purple Room
 3:30-5:30^{pm}

Friday, November 6th
Blue Room & Yellow Room
 3:30-5:30^{pm}

Thursday, November 11th
Orange Room & Silver Room
 3:15-5:15^{pm} 2:45^{pm}

Grounds for Celebration!

Thanks to the generosity of our MSOL community and the funds raised through our annual auction, we are excited to soon welcome a new side-by-side utility vehicle to our campus! While it may seem like a simple addition, this vehicle will play a meaningful role in helping us care for and conserve the beautiful environment our students call home.

Conservation is more than protecting nature; it is teaching our children to be thoughtful stewards of the world around them. Investing in the tools and equipment needed to care for our campus gives students meaningful, hands-on opportunities to practice environmental stewardship and develop a sense of responsibility for the spaces we share.

This is the impact of our MSOL community in action. Every contribution to our auction helps strengthen the environment in which our children learn, grow, and discover. Thank you to everyone who helped make this investment possible. Together, we are cultivating a campus and a culture of conservation that will benefit our students for years to come!



Now we just need Mr. Ruddick to pick out the one he wants!



MSOL Veterans' Day Project

As part of our philanthropy program to instill in our children the importance of giving back to our local community, we are planning a special Veterans' Day project. Our Adolescent students are partnering with Guardian Corps of America to fill and distribute 100 hygiene bags to homeless veterans in the greater Chicagoland area. Other classrooms will be making thank-you cards to include in the bags. We would love your help in procuring the items needed to fill the hygiene bags.

The linked Amazon Wish List contains all of the items that were requested by Guardian Corps of America. Thank you to [The Sport's Huddle](#) in Lockport for donating 50 men's T-shirts and to [Shorewood Family Dental](#) for 100 sets of toothbrushes, toothpaste, and floss. Any help you can offer is greatly appreciated! Together, let's show these men and women our gratitude for their service and remind them they are not forgotten! Donations must be turned in by November 6th in order for our Adolescent class to assemble the bags for delivery. ❤️💙💚

Did you know?

There are
approximately
2,000 homeless
veterans living in
the greater
Chicagoland area

click
here



Annual Fundraiser Recap

Thanks to our families, friends, and local businesses, **our annual fundraiser exceeded its \$50,000 goal!** We are buzzing with gratitude for everyone who helped make this possible. We are especially grateful to the generous sponsors whose support helped us surpass our goal.



Event Sponsors: Grzelak Family, R & K Maintenance, [Eifel Rambo Advisory Group](#), [The Daily Blend](#), [Goosehead Insurance](#), [Mama D's](#), [Hamilton's Pub](#) (thank you, Akkawi family!), [Lion's Den](#) and [Offset Tactical](#) (thank you, Bello family!) Meyer and Costco.

Bronze Sponsors: Peanut's Landscaping (thank you, Board Member Debbie Moreno!), [Lemont Jiffy Lube](#) (thank you, Degeatano family!), [Monte Bello](#), [Archer Electric](#) (thank you, Truchan family!),

Silver Sponsors: Board Member, Sheila Lamb, [MJ Miller & Company](#), [Just Right Heating & Cooling](#) (thank you, Sipes family!), and Tamara Drezgriz (thank you, Brankov family!).

Gold Sponsors: Shurdoski Family, Koloski Family, [Strategic Investment Strategies](#), [5th Third Bank](#).

Platinum Sponsor: Westerman Family

And then there was a donation so extraordinary that we had to create a whole new sponsorship level! **Pinnacle Sponsor:** A special thank-you to [Matrix Mental Health](#) and the Sharma family for their generous \$10,000 contribution! Your support is truly appreciated.



Every donation, sponsorship, and volunteer effort helps our MSOL hive thrive. We are so fortunate to have a community that believes in our school and invests in our children's future. Proceeds support conservation and education projects that will enrich our campus and the experiences of our students and families

Restoration: Remediating and restoring areas affected by flooding

Conservation: Removing invasive species and planting native trees

Apiary: Establishing campus beehives and purchasing a side-by-side utility vehicle

Living Memorial: Planting a labyrinth of native grasses in honor of our school's founder, Norine Colby



Trim-A-Tree at Brookfield Zoo

The holiday season is just around the corner, and we're excited to celebrate one of our MSOL traditions together! Join us for our Trim-a-Tree Family Field Trip at Brookfield Zoo, where our school community will gather to decorate a tree, enjoy the festive atmosphere, and make special memories with friends and family. While trimming our tree, we'll gather together for sweet treats and time to connect as a community. Parents are invited to help make our gathering extra special by signing up to bring a treat to share. Click the link to sign up! We can't wait to celebrate this fun tradition with our MSOL families and kick off the holiday season together!



[TREATS TO SHARE!](#)



Fundraiser Survey

We'd love to hear your thoughts! Your feedback helps us understand what you enjoyed, what could be improved, and what types of events and fundraising opportunities you'd like to see in the future. Whether you have a suggestion, a new idea, or simply a few thoughts to share, your input helps us create fundraisers that bring our MSOL community together while supporting the school and its students. Thank you for taking a few moments to share your feedback!



Coffee, anyone?



Are you interested in learning more about Montessori? Join us for one of our monthly "Coffees". Prospective parents will take a tour of the campus, learn about Montessori philosophy and MSOL.

Call or email if you would like to attend.

Philosophy & Curriculum • Tour • Parent Mentors • Programs •
Admissions Process



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