



PRESCHOOL

preschool Suggested Daily Schedule

ROOM 1

8:45-9:00	Arrival
9:00-9:20	Potty/wash hands, morning attendance, sharing, stories, calendar, group presentations
9:20-10:15	Montessori work time: Practical Life, Sensorial, Math, Language, Geography & Science
10:15-10:30	Potty/wash hands, group snack
10:30-11:00	Outside recess (weather permitting)
11:00-11:30	Bible lesson/Art project/Story time/Music/Poems
11:30-12:00	Lunch (exercise grace & courtesy with prayer)
12:00-12:15	Clean up/Potty
12:20-2:00	Naptime/Quiet Time
2:00-2:45	Montessori work time, other activities (art, music, story time, recess)
2:45-3:00	Departures/ Clean-Up, prepare to go home or to Kid's Club

ROOM 2

8:45-9:00	Arrival
9:00-9:20	Potty/wash hands, morning attendance, sharing, stories, calendar, group presentations
9:20-10:15	Montessori work time: Practical Life, Sensorial, Math, Language, Geography & Science
10:15-10:30	Potty/wash hands, group snack
10:30-11:00	Bible lesson/Art project/Story time/Music/Poems
11:00-11:30	Outside recess (weather permitting)
11:30-12:00	Lunch (exercise grace & courtesy with prayer)
12:00-12:15	Clean up/Potty
12:20-2:00	Naptime/Quiet Time
2:00-2:45	Montessori work time, other activities (art, music, story time, recess)
2:45-3:00	Departures/ Clean-Up, prepare to go home or to Kid's Club

KINDERGARTEN

Transitional/Kindergarten Suggested Daily Schedule

Room 3

8:45-9:00	Arrival
9:00-9:30	Wash hands, morning attendance, sharing, stories, calendar, group presentations
9:30-11:15	Individual snack & Montessori work time: Math, Language, Reading, Workbook, Story Writing, etc.
11:15-11:30	Wash hands, prepare for lunch
11:30-12:00	Lunch (exercise grace & courtesy with prayer)
12:00-12:30	Outside Recess (weather permitting)
12:30-12:45	Transition Time (get ready for rest time)
12:45-1:00	Rest time/Quiet time/Transitions
1:15-2:45	Cultural Studies: Geography/Art/Music/Story time/Gardening
2:45-3:00	Dismissal

Room 4

8:45-9:00	Arrival
9:00-9:30	Wash hands, morning attendance, sharing, stories, calendar, group presentations
9:30-11:15	Individual snack & Montessori work time: Math, Language, Reading, Workbook, Story Writing, etc.
11:15-11:30	Wash hands, prepare for lunch
11:30-12:00	Outside Recess (weather permitting)
12:00-12:30	Lunch (exercise grace & courtesy with prayer)
12:30-12:40	Transition Time (get ready for rest time)
12:40-1:00	Rest time/Quiet time/Transitions
1:15-2:45	Cultural Studies: Geography/Art/Music/Story time/Gardening
2:45-3:00	Dismissal

Please note that these schedules are a typical day for our rooms. They may change due to special activities or celebrations.



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The "Children's House" Ages 2.9 - 4 years

St. Matthew's Montessori Preschool offers an enriching program designed to teach to the whole child. The class family atmosphere is centered on the Montessori culture of peace, with grace and courtesy. Students are loved and nurtured in a safe, consistent environment. This best enables growth through developmentally appropriate "work" selected during an uninterrupted block of time. Normalization, or the development of self-discipline by experiencing joy in accomplishment, is an integral aspect of nurturing a child's "Sensitive Period", the period of time Biologically when absorption of knowledge is wonderfully second nature to children.

The Montessori Method introduces five main subject areas, bridging concrete manipulative to abstract ideas because of the learning capacity that young children have that Maria Montessori described as the "absorbent mind":

- 1 Practical Life** work fosters the child's concentration, coordination, independence and internal order. A series of everyday tasks with beautiful hands-on manipulative fosters creativity as well as builds confidence and coordination.
- 2 Sensorial Work** is modeled after Maria Montessori's methods for stimulating the child's whole mind through the five senses. When 100% invested in the learning process children have an exceptional ability to absorb information and fundamental scientific principals. These compare/contrast manipulative begin to develop reason and order in the child's creative processes.
- 3 Mathematics** work is a fundamental introduction to logical and numerical concepts through concrete hands-on representations of place value, number systems, and logical reasoning. Students begin with a systematic approach to value and progress to decimal and calculations in the hundreds of thousands, even in early childhood! Beautiful math manipulative foster a natural curiosity for order and reasoning.
- 4 Language** work begins in the Children's House by fostering the expansion of children's vocabulary. Reading and writing fundamentals are based on phonetics, enabling a child to write before they can even read. Setting up patterns for success begins to develop the life long learner that loves to read. Good habits of learning will never be forgotten!
- 5 Cultural Studies** work is a valued aspect of the Montessori Method. Emphasis on Fine Arts as well as Physical and Social Geography are key in developing a culturally enriched child in our global age. Study of cultures, languages, and traditions shape a child's view of the world around them.

Transitional Kindergarten

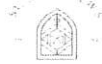
As a supplement to our Montessori Program St. Matthew's Transitional Kindergarten encompasses the traditional five areas of work while preparing students to mainstream into surrounding school systems. Fundamentals in all subject areas are developed while growing a child's independent view of educating themselves. The intrinsic motivation needed to truly succeed in mainstream schooling are introduced and nurtured. Our Transitional Kindergarten prepares a student to set and meet goals while developing the self-discipline necessary to be self-directed learners.

Students begin to foster the skills of language arts development through the introduction of readers, independent writing, and more implicit phonetic instruction. Shifting to an emphasis on reading and writing subject matter will strengthen the bridge to mainstreaming to the next developmental level of a traditional classroom.

Extra Curriculars

St. Matthew's extra-curricular activities continue development of the whole child. Programs that strengthen gross motor and fine motor skills, as well as fine arts abilities and social skills greatly compliment the Montessori Method.

Students leave the classroom for short periods of time to participate in these activities and then are seamlessly reintroduced into the classroom upon their conclusion. Gifts and talents are fostered at St. Matthew's school in a variety of ways. Check with the front office for more information on our extra-curriculars.



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July 2023
 3-7: CLOSED- Summer Maintenance/Teacher In-Service
 10: FIRST DAY of New School Year!

August 2023
 14: CLOSED - Teacher In-Service / Maintenance
 24: Student Art & Science Day
 31: Happy Birthday Dr. Maria Montessori!

September 2023
 4: CLOSED- Labor Day
 8: Grandparents Day
 25: CLOSED - Teacher In-service/ Maintenance

October 2023
 6: Back to School Night 4-6pm (Parents Only)
 9: CLOSED- Columbus Day/ Indigenous People's Day
 30: Student Harvest Day
 31: CLOSED- Virtual Parent Teacher Conferences/ Progress Reports

November 2023
 1: CLOSED- All Saints Day
 10: CLOSED- Veteran's Day
 13-17: Scholastic Book Fair
 20-24: CLOSED- Thanksgiving Break

December 2023
 21: Christmas Program & All School Pick Up at 10:00 am
 22-29: CLOSED- Christmas Break

January 2024
 1-5: CLOSED- Christmas Break
 15: CLOSED- MLK Jr. Day
 26: Dr. Maria Montessori Day!

February 2024
 13: Shrove Tuesday
 14: Ash Wednesday
 14: student Valentine's Day
 19-23: CLOSED- Presidents' Week/Mid-Winter Ski Break/ Teacher In-service

March 2024
 1: Student Read Across America Day
 15: student St. Patrick's Day Festivities
 18: CLOSED- Teacher In-Service/ Maintenance
 28: Student Easter Eggs-ploration
 29: CLOSED- Good Friday
 31: Easter Sunday

April 2024
 1-5: CLOSED- Easter Break
 19: Student Earth Day
 22: CLOSED- Teacher In-service/ Maintenance
 25: Open House
All students picked up at 3pm

May 2024
 6-10: Teacher & Staff Appreciation Week
 10: Mother's Day Tea Party at 2pm
 24: CLOSED- Virtual Parent/ Teacher Conferences
 27: CLOSED- Memorial Day

June 2024
 14: Father's Day Breakfast of Champions at 8:30 am
 19: CLOSED- Juneteenth Day
 21: LAST DAY of School Year & **Transitional Kindergarten/Kindergarten Graduation!**
 (June 24th - July 5th: CLOSED- Summer Break)
July 8: FIRST DAY of 2024-2025 School Year!

JANUARY 2024						
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Student Enrollment Form

School Year: July 2024 - June 2025

Return completed form with registration and fees (per student) by the deadline to secure student enrollment in the upcoming school year. Admissions/Teacher requests to the Director of School are based on availability and granted on a first come first served basis.

Current School Families & St. Matthew's Parishioners have priority enrollment through February 2024.

New School Year Family Enrollment begins March 1st, 2024 – Refer a New Family!

Annual Enrollment Fee (non-refundable): **\$275.00**

Child's Full Name: _____		Date of Birth: _____
Parent/Guardian's Name: _____		Email: _____
Address: _____		Apt: _____
City: _____	State: _____	Zip Code: _____
Home Phone: _____	Cell Phone: _____	Work Phone: _____
Parent/Guardian's Name: _____		Email: _____
Address: _____		
City: _____	State: _____	Zip Code: _____
Home Phone: _____	Cell Phone: _____	Work Phone: _____

Select Program & Fees

(All Program Pricing is Monthly and Subject to Increase Annually)

Full Day Program: (9:00am – 3:00pm)

- 5 Full Days: **\$1,455**** (M - F)
- 3 Full Days: **\$1,090** (M/W/F)
- 2 Full Days: **\$875** (T/Th)

Half Day Program: (9:00am – 12:00pm)

- 5 Half Days: **\$1,105**
- Annual Organic Living Program Fee **\$200** billed at registration per student

Other Fees (Check the annual fee for Preschool or Kinder / Kids Club Request)

- Annual **\$450** TK/Kindergarten/Books, Supplies & Materials: billed first month of school.
- Annual **\$200** Preschool/Books, Supplies & Materials: billed first month of school.
- Kid's Club Program: (7:35 am - 9:00 am/3:00 pm - 5:25 pm)/Flat Fee of \$400
- **Teacher Room/Request:

**Fixed Schedule for TK/Kindergarten Program **Teacher request(s) do not imply a guarantee of request.

Allergies/Concerns/Special Needs: _____

I have reviewed and agree to the Parent Handbook, COVID-19 waiver, State of California Laws, advising in writing a 30-Day Tuition Withdrawal Policy, above referenced tuition, non-refundable fee(s), and agree to acknowledge that all information contained is true and correct. **I understand the above referenced Registration and Enrollment Fees are non-refundable:**

_____ Date: _____ (Signature of Parent/Guardian).

Director of School signature: _____ authorization for:

Classroom #: _____ Start Date: _____

Enrollment Fee: _____ Smartcare/Cash/Check #: _____ Date Paid: _____