



San Mateo – Foster City School District

Montessori Middle Years Program



December 13, 2017



Welcome Parents!

At this meeting we will provide you with...

- Updates regarding the Middle Years Program
- Information regarding entrance into the Middle Years Program

Sixth Graders in the Middle Years Program

- The leaders of our elementary program
 - Maria Montessori's thoughts on the optimal placement for sixth graders
 - Contemporary research on sixth graders
 - Lessons gleaned from working with sixth through eighth graders

Sixth Graders in the Middle Years Program

- Intact class(es) of sixth graders at each school
- Physical education every day
- Enrichment activities
- Possible sixth grade activities: outdoor education, Egyptian Museum, Heal Farm, etc.
- Possible leadership opportunities: whole school gatherings, community service, assisting in elementary classrooms, lunch helpers, etc.

7th and 8th Grades: Adolescent Program

Separate teaching blocks, but mixed homeroom/work period

Continue longstanding traditions:

- Friday Morning Gathering
- Community service
- Stage crew
- Community-building outings
- Field trips

6th, 7th and 8th Grade Enrichment

- Music for all middle years students
- Art in Action
 - Correlated with social studies curriculum
 - Volunteer opportunities
- After school enrichment

Questions



Entrance into the Middle Years Program

1. Currently enrolled fifth grade Montessori students who wish to continue in the Montessori Middle Years Program must submit a request in the InfoSnap system as a declaration of intent to remain in the program.
2. Submit your request in the InfoSnap system no later than **4:00 pm on Thursday, December 21, 2017.**
3. Emails confirming placement in the Middle Years Program will be sent by the end of the business day on **Friday, February 2, 2018.**
4. Accept or decline the placement no later than **Friday, February 16, 2018.**

Entrance into the Middle Years Program

- 5th grade North Shoreview students will continue into NSM's Middle Years Program
- 5th grade Parkside students will continue into PM's Middle Years Program
- Families can request **two** schools in the InfoSnap system (the middle school of assignment should not be one of the choices)
 - Choices are weighted: Choice 1 has more weight than Choice 2
 - You must select Montessori Middle Years as Choice 1 in order to be placed in the program

How to Submit Your Request in the InfoSnap System

Is the student new to San Mateo-Foster City School District this year?

* Student ID

Please enter student's name as it appears on their birth certificate

* Legal First Name

Legal Middle Name

* Legal Last Name

Check here if student does not have a middle name

* Date of Birth mm/dd/yyyy

* Gender

* Current Grade (2017-2018)

* Current School (2017-2018)

* Next Grade (2018-2019)


You may apply to two schools only. Please rank your choices in order of preference #1 and #2. DO NOT INCLUDE YOUR SCHOOL OF ASSIGNMENT AS ONE OF YOUR CHOICES.

* School #1

School #2

Reason for transfer request

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Fill out the rest of the request form and click submit when you are done.

Do you have multiple births (twins, triplets, etc.) applying to the same school(s)?
* No

Home Address

* Street Address 123 Mockingbird Lane
Apt./Suite
* City San Mateo
* State California
* Zip Code 94403

Is this address within the San Mateo-Foster City School District boundaries?
* - Select -
 Check here if the student's mailing address is different than the home address

Sibling Information - (brothers/sisters ONLY)

Does this student have any siblings who are currently attending one of the schools you are requesting?
* - Select -

Does this student have any other siblings who will be attending one of the schools you are requesting in the 2018-2019 school year?
* - Select -

Parent/Guardian Information

List the parent/guardian that should be contacted regarding the application.

* First Name
* Last Name
* Relationship to student - Select -

* Primary Phone
Cell Phone
* Email example@example.com

Is this parent/guardian a San Mateo-Foster City School District employee?
* - Select -

Electronic Signature

The electronic signature below is treated by San Mateo-Foster City School District like a handwritten signature on a paper form.

* Parent/Guardian Signature type name of parent/legal guardian
* Date mm/dd/yyyy

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Submit

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District-wide 5th to 6th Grade Address Verification Process

1. All 5th to 6th grade students planning to attend a District school are required to re-verify their address and provide up to date documentation.
2. 5th to 6th grade address verification days at comprehensive middle schools are **February 7, 14, 21, 2018**.
 - a) Middle schools assignments are based on address.
 - b) Please utilize the [SchoolFinder Lookup](#) tool available on the District website.
3. If you accept your child's placement in the Montessori Middle Years Program, you will complete the address verification process at your Middle Years school site on **February 21**.
4. The 6th Grade address verification process has a dedicated page on the District website for more information.



Thank you for coming!

