

June 22, 2022

Summer Newsletter

Children's House Phase In Days

If you child is new to Children's house (PreK/K), your child is invited to attend 2 special days of "phase in" with our children's house teachers. This phase in process is designed to help our new children's house students acclimate to a new environment through a shortened school day experience.

Social and emotional development, as well as the respect and care of oneself, others and the environment are integral parts of every child's experience within a Montessori education. Our Phase-In days demonstrate our respect for each child and their emotional journey as they start school, easing them into the school environment and expectations. This will offer your child an opportunity to feel a sense of security and trust within the classroom, while learning rules, expectations, and how a classroom works. As children progress through the year, this initial experience is the foundation for their success throughout the year.

We find that it is important for all our Children's House students to attend these Phase In days. Please add the dates and times below to your family calendar. Our Children's House Lead Teachers, Amy Bergquist Savage and Julie Halvorson, are extremely excited about our Phase In days and meeting their new students in August.

Schedule for Phase In Days:

Tuesday, September 6th -- 9:00-10:30 a.m. Wednesday, September 7th -- 9:00-11:00 a.m.



Reminder to sign up for Welcome Back Days!

Welcome Back Days!

Swan River is excited to announce that our first two days of school will be Welcome Back Days. These first two days of school will count as instruction days as we will focus on our initial assessments, which will be critical to this year's planning. Obviously, we will not be scheduling a normal open house as these two days will also serve to get paperwork completed, meet classroom teachers as well as bringing in school supplies. While students are taking their assessments, parents will have the opportunity to learn more about PTO, volunteer opportunities, busing information and this will be a great time to ask any questions remaining for the 2022-2023 school year.

To be clear, students will not be coming to a full day of school on September 6th & 7th. Instead, each family will sign up each child for a 1 ½ hour time slot on one of these days. Click on the link below to reserve your time for our Welcome Back Days. Your child will only attend school on the date and time that you select.

If you have not signed up for welcome back days, please use the link below to select your day and time.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4BABAC2CA0FFC70-welcome

Changes to Extended Care

We are excited to be able to offer extended care again next year. However, due to staffing shortage we will be changing our extended care hours. We will open at 7:30 and close at 5:30. Below is our rates and schedule for the 2022-2023 extended care program.

	Full-Time*	Part-Time	Drop-In
Morning rate (7:30 – 8:55)	6.00	6.50	10.00
Afternoon rate (3:30 – 5:30)	8.00	8.50	12.00

^{*}Full-Time is enrolled in both the morning and afternoon extended care 5 days a week.

We will be sending out contracts with our welcome back package in August.

Looking Ahead

<u>September</u>

- 9/6 Children's House Phase in 9:00 10:30
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- 9/7 Children's House Phase in 9:00 11:00

 Welcome back days -- no school schedule your time slot for one of these days only
- 9/8 First day of classes-8:55 AM school starts: carpool runs 8:45-8:55 AM
 3:20 PM school ends: carpool runs 3:20-3:35 PM

<u>October</u>

10/14 Movie Night @ MCC from 5:30 – 7:00

10/27 Parent Night @ SRMCS "Bring your parent to school night"

<u>November</u>

11/17 PTO - Sponsored Fall Family Potluck @ MCC from 5:30 - 7:00

December

12/8 Children's House (prek/K) Winter Music Program @ MCC at 5:30

12/21 All School Swim/Gym/Climb Day @MCC

<u>January</u>

1/20 PTO-Sponsored School Dance 6-8:30 pm @MCC

<u>February</u>

2/10 Awareness Fair @ SRMCS

March

- 3/24 Movie Night @ MCC in the Mississippi Room from 5:30 7:30 Breakfast with the Bunny Set-Up @ MCC from 4:00 Finished
- 3/25 PTO-Sponsored Breakfast with the Bunny @ MCC from 8am 12 pm

May

- 5/4 Fine Arts Night and Bake @ MCC from 5:00 7:00
- 5/31 All School End-of-Year Pot Luck @ Ellsion Park at 5:30 (if weather does not permit, this event will be moved to the MCC)

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