

## Montessori Program Application Process

## WHAT IS MONTESSORI?

- Montessori is a program of choice offered by School District No. 43 (Coquitlam).
- The program provides a rich learning environment for students. It is based on Montessori principles and fulfills the expectations of the Ministry of Education.
- The program is available to students in Kindergarten to Grade 8.
- The Montessori approach supports continuous progress, as students learn to work on personal goals and academic challenges.
- Students learn to work independently, in small groups and as peer leaders.
- The program is delivered following the Montessori philosophy of learning.
- Students make use of a variety of information sources in their project work, including explorations, technology, print and human resources.
- The program supports students in becoming lifelong learners and global citizens of the world.

## **APPLICATION PROCESS:**

- Children must be entering Kindergarten or Grade 1 in September 2014.
- Application forms will be available at the January 9, 2014 information meeting (see below), at the following Montessori elementary schools: Aspenwood (incatchment placements only and based on space availability), Baker Drive, Hampton Park, Harbour View, James Park, Miller Park, and Seaview, and on the District website: <a href="https://www.sd43.bc.ca/Programs/Montessori">www.sd43.bc.ca/Programs/Montessori</a>.
- Completed application forms must be mailed or hand delivered (no faxes or emails accepted) to the Coquitlam School Board Office (550 Poirier Street, Coquitlam, V3J 6A7) no later than <u>4:30 pm on Wednesday, January 22, 2014</u>.
- There are a number of spaces available for Late Montessori Program applications in Grade 6 at Montgomery Middle School and at Scott Creek Middle School. Please contact Mr. Rob McFaul at 604-939-7367 or <u>Montgomery@sd43.bc.ca</u> or Mr. Rob Foot at 604-945-0156 or <u>ScottCreek@sd43.bc.ca</u> for further information.

Please note that applications for Kindergarten/Grade 1 is done by a random draw and will be limited to the number of spaces available. Late application forms will not be part of the draw.

> For parent convenience, two information meetings are planned for: Thursday, January 9, 2014 (4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.; or 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.) Gallery Room - Winslow Centre 1100 Winslow Avenue, Coquitlam

For more information visit our website at www.sd43.bc.ca

## SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 43 (COQUITLAM)