



# Early Montessori Program

For the 2017 – 2018 School Year

## 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. See **Late Montessori Program** for info on Grade 6-8.
- 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.

## APPLICATION PROCESS:

- Children must be entering Kindergarten or Grade 1 in September 2017.
- Application forms will be available at the January 5 information meeting (see below), at elementary schools offering Montessori, and on the district website: [www.sd43.bc.ca/programs/montessori](http://www.sd43.bc.ca/programs/montessori) on January 6.
- Montessori is available at the following elementary schools: Aspenwood, Baker Drive, Hampton Park, Harbour View, James Park, Miller Park, and Seaview.
- Completed application forms must be delivered to the district office (550 Poirier Street, Coquitlam, V3J 6A7) by no later than **4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 18, 2017. Emailed copies are accepted.**

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.

### Parent Information Meetings:

Thursday, January 5, 2017 (4 p.m. to 5 p.m. or 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.)  
Winslow Centre (Gallery Room)  
1100 Winslow Avenue, Coquitlam

*As these are information meetings for parents/guardians, kindly make arrangements to leave your children at home.*

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