

For children from infant to six years

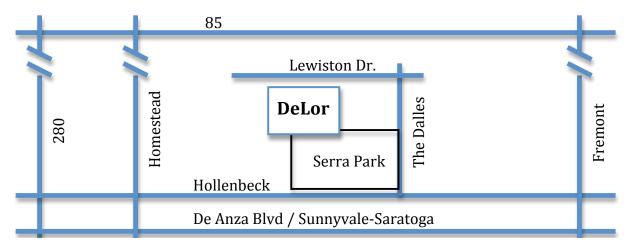
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IF YOU BELIEVE THAT...

- learning should be a happy, joyous experience;
- > children want to learn;
- > each child grows physically and mentally at their own pace;
- > each child is unique and should be allowed to progress at their own rate of speed;
- > a spirit of cooperation rather that competition is the best atmosphere for learning;
- > children should be taught to respect the rights of others;
- success builds confidence;
- > needs and interests vary from child to child;
- > children should be treated with respect
- education is not acquired by listening to words but by experiences in which the child acts on his environment;
- ➤ the most important years are not the years of university studies but the first ones the formative years when the child's mental life is being developed;
- most children have more potential than they are encouraged to develop;
- children learn best in an environment of love, security, understanding, and consistency;

THEN COME VISIT OUR MONTESSORI SCHOOL!



The Montessori Philosophy

In the early 1900's, Maria Montessori, an Italian physician/educator, started a school that emphasized her philosophies on education and child development. Her method, known universally as the "Montessori Method," gained popularity and acclaim throughout Europe and eventually the world.

Dr. Montessori believed that every child carries unseen within him the man he will become. In order to develop his physical, intellectual, and spiritual powers to the fullest, he must have freedom—a freedom to be achieved through order and self-discipline.

The world of the child is full of sights and sounds, which at first seem chaotic. From this chaos, the child must gradually create order and learn to distinguish among impressions that assail his senses, slowly but surely gaining a mastery of himself and his environment. The Montessori Method encourages the child to develop at his own capacities, and in a noncompetitive atmosphere in his first school years.

About DeLor Montessori

DeLor Montessori School has a fully accredited Staff and facilities offering your child an education that most pre-schools don't offer. At DeLor Montessori, your child between the Infant/Toddler ages through 6 years will be given encouragement and guidance to develop himself years before most traditional educations even begin. The Montessori philosophy is one that provides you child with the facilities and opportunity to learn when they are ready to learn and at their own pace.

Ms. Lori McGeov, Primary Director/Teacher

Lori McGeoy was introduced to the Montessori Philosophy in 1979 and has been teaching in Montessori classrooms since 1979. She received her A.A. in Early Childhood Development from De Anza College in Cupertino, CA. She received her Primary Montessori training at the Montessori Training Center of San Diego, which is affiliated with the National Center for Montessori Education (N.C.M.E.).

Following her Montessori training she received her B.A. in the Social Sciences with a concentration in Child Development from San Jose State University in San Jose, CA.

Ms. Debra McKinley, Kindergarten Director/Teacher

Debra McKinley began her Montessori career in 1976 and in 1978 received her A.A. in Early Childhood Development from De Anza College in Cupertino, CA. Her Montessori training was done at the Montessori Training Center of San Diego, which is affiliated with the National Center for Montessori Education (N.C.M.E.).

In 1982, she used her training to set up the Infant/Toddler program for Enchanted Land Montessori in San Jose, CA where she was Director until 1985. As a mother of three, her experience extends past the classroom and into the home.

Infant / Toddler Program (3 to 18 months)

Hours: 7:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.

Ratio: 1 teacher: 4 children

Schedules: 3, 4, or 5 Full Days

3 or 5 Half Days

• Daily Walks

• Music & Movement Time

• Story Time

• Puppets & Flannel Board Stories

Pre-Primary Program (18 to 24 months)

Hours: 7:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.

Ratio: 1 teacher: 6 children

Schedules: 3, 4, or 5 Full Days

3 or 5 Half Days

Sensorial

• Practical Life

Math

• Language

Arts & Crafts

• Science/ Geography

• Music & Movement

Primary 1 Program (2 to 3 years)

Hours: 7:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.

Ratio: 1 teacher: 6 children

Schedules: 3, 4, or 5 Full Days

3 or 5 Half Days

Sensorial

• Practical Life

Math

Language

Arts & Crafts

• Science/ Geography

Music & Movement

• Toilet Training Program

Primary 2 Program (3 to 4 years)

Hours: 7:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.

Ratio: 1 teacher: 10 children

Schedules: 3, 4, or 5 Full Days

3 or 5 Half Days

Sensorial

• Practical Life

Math

• Language (Phonetic Reading Program)

Arts & Crafts

Science/ Geography

• Music & Movement

Pre-K / Kindergarten Program (4 to 6 years)

Hours: 7:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.

Ratio: 1 teacher : 12 children

Schedules: 5 Full Days

5 Half Days

• Penmanship

Math

• Science / Geography

Computers

• Practical Living Skills

• Language /Reading (Phonetics & Comprehension)

• Art

Botany

Zoology

Sensorial

EXTRA-CURRICULAR PROGRAMS:

• Little Movers (gymnastics)

• Mr. Clifford's Music

• Creative Dance

• YMCA Swimming Lessons (summer)

• Full Summer Program (drop-in available)

• Hot Lunch Program (optional)

Milk served with all lunches!

OTHER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:

- Field Trips (Primary/Pre-K/Kindergarten)
- Family Picnic
- Fall /Spring Class Photos
- Holiday Program
- Snow and Camping Trips

- Friday Night Babysitting
- Parent Support Group
- Parent Night
- Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Speech & Hearing Screening