



What is Montessori?

By Montessori Academy of London

The Montessori approach to education is based on the work and research of Dr. Maria Montessori (1870-1952). It provides students with a carefully-planned, stimulating environment that helps them develop an excellent foundation for learning and leadership.

Established around the world, the Montessori curriculum ignites curiosity and gives the child time to enjoy the learning process. This joy of learning enhances the development of self-esteem, and provides the experiences that inspire independence, collaboration and self-directed learning.

Research continues to prove that a Montessori education provides children the best start in life by promoting the development of social skills, emotional intelligence and physical coordination, as well as cognitive preparation for future academics. It's a truly holistic approach to education... education that starts as young as 18 months of age.



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Why does “traditional” and “accredited” Montessori matter?

Not all Montessori schools are created equal. Because Dr. Montessori never trademarked her name or the hands-on materials she developed, any school can “look” like a Montessori school and even use her name. But they may not offer a traditional Montessori education – one that reflects Dr. Montessori’s original work.

This is why accreditation counts. In Canada, the main accrediting body responsible for ensuring the high standard of Montessori education across the country is the Canadian Council of Montessori Administrators (CCMA).

When researching Montessori schools, look for one that offers an accredited program that closely reflects Dr. Montessori’s original work, including these key qualities:

- A classroom atmosphere which encourages social interaction for cooperative learning, peer teaching, and emotional development.
- Large blocks of time for students to problem-solve, to see connections in knowledge and to create new ideas.
- A diverse set of Montessori materials, activities, and experiences which are designed to foster physical, intellectual, creative, social, and personal independence.
- A partnership established with the family; the family is considered an integral part of the individual’s total development.
- Teachers educated in the Montessori philosophy and the methodology for the age level they are teaching, who have the ability and dedication to put the key concepts into practice.
- A multi-aged, multi-graded grouping of students.
- The CCMA stamp of approval!

Who offers traditional, accredited Montessori education in London?

Montessori Academy of London is unique in London – we are the only program to be accredited for over 25 years by CCMA. We also established the first Junior High program in Canada and continue to be regarded as a leader in the Montessori community, both nationally and abroad. And, we feel strongly that children benefit most from a program that adheres closely to Dr. Montessori’s vision of education. Learn more about Montessori and our school by attending an Information Session and School Tour. Visit www.montessori.on.ca or email reception@montessori.on.ca.



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