Something that I think is not well known in the Greater Lafayette Community is just how special the Montessori School of Greater Lafayette is, and what it adds to our community. This school was started by local parents who wanted a great preschool option for their children. Notices were published in local newspapers and ideas from all who responded were considered. The group ultimately decided to start a parent-run school using the Montessori method of instruction. The school began as two classes for children ages 3 through 6. It is currently celebrating its forty-sixth year of operation and has programs for children from the ages of one through ten in eleven different programs. The school offers Kindergarten through 4th Grade and is adding 5th and 6th Grades as enrollment allows.

Over the twenty years that I have been affiliated with MSGL, I have observed one true constant: this place brings out the best in people. I mean in the students, families, and staff. The united, peaceful community that thrives at MSGL is so refreshing in such a fractured world. I believe the consistently peaceful nature of this school environment stems, in part, from the “grace and courtesy” portion of the Montessori curriculum employed in every classroom and modeled by every teacher on campus.

Trevor Eissler provides a succinct explanation of this curriculum and of why it is so successful when he describes how grace and courtesy are incorporated into the whole Montessori curriculum:

“. . .The Guide never says, 'Today we’re going to learn about grace and courtesy.' Instead, from the first time the students set foot in the classroom they are enveloped in a graceful and courteous environment. The students are greeted individually by name when each arrives. The guide speaks in a low voice and corrects behavior quietly and privately. The children are spoken to with the same respect as would be afforded an adult. The children are asked and encouraged to ask for, to receive, and to provide assistance to their...
classmates. . . Students provide assistance to each other if asked for help. . . They learn to wait their turn because that is consistently the way it’s always done. . . Children are expected to say please, thank you and you’re welcome. They are not being taught a unit on this, they are living it. They know no other way. The community of the class had these traditions before the present students arrived. They practice grace and courtesy every day while they are freely interacting.” Montessori Madness, A Parent to Parent Argument for Montessori Education, Trevor Eissler, Sevenoff, LLC (2009), pp.222-223.

My point in sharing this picture is that I believe the employment of this method in the classrooms here has three important effects that benefit the Greater Lafayette Community. First, all the adults who are involved in providing this opportunity for the children (the teachers, the administrators, the parents and other extended family members who participate on campus) are transformed into more peaceful, cooperative, and appreciative individuals. They work well together, notwithstanding cultural, racial, economic, or religious differences, to preserve and grow the MSGL community. It is amazing and rejuvenating to experience. Second, most children are here several years before moving on to another school. Living in a peaceful Montessori classroom for several years often produces students who become fantastic leaders and role models in their new school communities. We hear time and again from local educators how well our students treat others in their new schools. Third, these students then grow into societal leaders once they finish their educations. Think Jeff Bezos, George Clooney, Stephen Curry. Carrying the memory of the “graceful and courteous” environments of their Montessori classrooms, they then create mirroring environments in their future endeavors. Just imagine the community we could have if everyone was treated in his/her school, workplace and home with the same respectful direction as is given to our students by our Montessori teachers. We can become the community that grows peace.
Montessori Math Series (Part 1)

“Impossible! You just blew my mind!”
- MSGL parent experiencing Montessori Math in the Upper Elementary

In the classroom, children rarely say that. They may have an “ah ha” moment or I might hear an extended “ohhhhhhh,” but because these concrete materials are their first exposure to any math concepts, they are usually just eager to learn. They are impatient, yearning to try something new, and can’t wait to see if they can figure it out themselves. In fact, their excitement is frequently palpable, which is how we all remember Math, right?

Montessori math materials are some of the most beautiful and inviting pieces in your child’s classroom. Some might even go so far as to call them “magical” because they inspire curiosity, expand concentration, build confidence, and encourage independence. What could be more magical than that? All of these materials are colorful, concrete manipulatives that aid the child with math operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division) or rote memorization math facts. Let’s begin this series with a couple of works you might recognize, with the hope that I can entice you to sign up to observe in your child’s classroom and see them in action. I promise, you won’t be disappointed.

Bead Chains (math facts)
One work you will see in all Montessori classrooms from Preprimary to Elementary is the Bead Chains. The Bead Chains are appropriately named, as they are chains of beads connected together, some long and some short. These beads draw the child, as if invisible hands wave the child over to them. Anytime a bead cabinet is available for a child to see, she/he will inevitably want to touch and play with them. They can’t help it. The beads are beautiful and look so simple, but looks
can be deceiving.

The colors of the chains correspond to a specific number, which your child will internalize over time and intrinsically know that a bar of pink beads is equivalent to a three. Initially, when she uses these bead chains, she will carefully count each bead and place the corresponding number tag next to that bead. She will use great concentration and fine motor skills to place each tag and count each bead. She might even discover that she can skip count to the next bar of beads! This is all very exciting. As she gets older, she will use the same bead chains to find squares and cubes of each number, unknowingly discovering square and cube roots.

This creates so many magical moments as other children in the classroom look on in awe. Some will stop and watch, some offer encouragement, and many can not wait until it is their turn to try. Because our children work in multi-age classrooms, they are all exposed to higher level math work, as well as work they have already completed and are now able to help their fellow classmates. You will frequently hear children explain works to their peers or exultantly proclaim, “I can’t wait until I get into the Test Tubes!” Out of the mouths of babes.

**Golden Beads (math operations)**

The Golden Beads are a fundamental work found in every Montessori classroom. The aptly named Golden Beads, are usually glass beads that are gold in color and introduce the child to the decimal system and math operations for multiple digit numbers.

One unit is represented by one golden bead. Ten is a bar of ten golden beads. One hundred is ten bars of golden beads connected to form a golden square. One thousand is ten golden squares stacked and connected to form a one thousand cube. As a result, the child is able to see, with three dimensional objects, the representations of each number within our base 10 numerical system.
This work is very concrete, allowing the child the opportunity to practice fine motor skills, using their pincer grip (the three fingers used to hold a pencil when writing). It is designed to let the child move within the classroom to collect materials, build concentration, form the number with numeral cards, and even grasp the physical aspect of the work, that one thousand cube is much heavier than one unit, etc. Whew! That’s a lot of work! The plethora of skills addressed by one work is quite impressive and yet I probably haven’t listed them all. This compelling work is used to introduce your child to the decimal system and can be used to teach all math operations, from addition through the division of whole numbers.

Next in this series, I’ll talk about recurring colors you will see used throughout Montessori Math materials. To schedule a time to observe in your child’s classroom please contact the office. You are also welcome to observe in the Elementary classroom. The space may be tight, but observations are always encouraged. To hear how Montessori education has benefited our students, please join us on Wednesday, January 23 at 6:00 p.m. for the Alumni Panel, where MSGL alumni will be available to answer questions about life after Montessori.
Mark Your Calendars for Parents Night Out!

TWO Nights this Spring

Valentine’s Day Fun - Friday, February 8 - 5:30-8:00 PM
Schedule a Date Night (or a relaxing kid-free night at home!) and bring your kids to MSGL for a fun evening of games and crafts.

Spring Into Science - Friday, April 5 - 5:30-8:00 PM
Bring the kids to MSGL for a night of science-filled fun!

These events are for currently enrolled children and their siblings ages 3-10. Parents Night Out is $30 for the first child and $15 for each sibling.

Children may wear their pajamas to Parents Night Out.

A dinner of cheese pizza and bananas will be provided. We will not be able to accommodate special dietary needs during these events.

Child must be able to use the bathroom independently.

Space is limited, sign up for February 8 here: https://goo.gl/forms/Qgoiu0tcYw6ELaQU2
Summer Camp 2019

MSGL students (alumni, current and future), ages 3-6 are welcome to attend Summer Camp. New students and toddlers who are entering Pre-primary are strongly encouraged to attend at least one week, regardless of their birthday.

What do we do at Summer Camp?
- Reinforce school-wide ground rules of respect for our environment, for ourselves, and for others.
- Provide general exposure to weekly topics to pique the children's interest and curiosity in these topics.
- Prepare new children entering Pre-primary classes by offering practice with basic routines such as using the bathroom, sitting on line with a group, using rugs to define the work area, putting work away, and learning how to prepare a snack.

Summer Camp Tuition for 2019
8:30-11:30 is class time. Additional childcare is available at $6/hr with consistent hours for an entire week. See prices below:

- 8:30 am - 11:30 am $131 /week
- 8:30 am - 1:30 pm $191 /week, includes lunch bunch
- 8:30 am - 3:30 pm $251 /week, includes lunch bunch and free play
- 8:30 am - 4:30 pm $281 /week, includes lunch bunch, free play, & after care

Class size is limited and placement is determined by date of enrollment. Register by May 1 in order to have the tuition billed to your account.

Any changes made to your child’s summer camp schedule after May 1st will result in a $25 fee charge per change.

Summer Camp Registration
Week 1: June 3-7, 2019
Week 2: June 10-14, 2019
Week 3: June 17-21, 2019
Week 4: July 8-12, 2019
Week 5: July 15-19, 2019
Week 6: July 15-19, 2019
Toddler Camp: details in coming soon

You may notice teachers putting observation notes on a computer or taking attendance on an iPad this year. As a part of our AMS accreditation we have adopted a cohesive record-keeping program formulated specifically for Montessori schools. We are grateful for generous donations from Wintek and the Beers family to help our school meet its observation and tracking goals!

Smugmug Photo Site

MSGL uses Smugmug to house all of our school photos. The photo site is password protected and secure. Please check here often as pictures are uploaded all year! Email info@msgl.org if you have trouble logging in.
It’s almost re-enrollment season!

Re-enrollment information will be sent via e-mail in February 2019.

New offerings next year will include 3-day science class and 5th grade!

We need to hear from each family, even if you do not intend to enroll for next year.

Spring Program!
Thursday, May 9, 2019
Corporation Meeting at 5:45pm
Preprimary and Elementary classroom programs at 6pm
Harrison High School Auditorium

Enrollment Priorities 2019-2020

Admission Criteria
1. Entrance Age—
   • Parent/Infant Program—one year old by September 1
   • Toddler Program—two years old by September 1
   • Preprimary—three years old by September 1 and toilet-trained
   • Extended Day—five years old by September 1
   • Elementary I—six years old by September 1
   • Elementary II—nine years old by September 1
   • Early Arrival—three years old by September 1 and toilet-trained
   • All-Day Program—three years old and toilet-trained
   • After School Program—five years old by September 1, enrolled in Extended Day or Elementary

2. Children are admitted based on the date of the receipt of the completed application with deposit.

3. Siblings of current or former students and transfers from another Montessori School receive a preference if the application is received by the first Friday in March.
4. An exception to the age criteria is considered if the child’s current teacher recommends a change. This placement is made on a space available basis. If parent and teacher differ on placement, another MSGL teacher may be asked to observe or interact with the child to offer another opinion.

5. The Executive Director is responsible for final admission decisions with advice from the Assistant Director and their teachers.

Re-Enrollment forms are distributed via e-mail and are due by the first Friday of March with the deposit for the following year’s registration. Siblings should also be enrolled at this time to receive the sibling preference. In case demand for a particular program exceeds the placement spots available, the following system will be used to establish enrollment preference order:

**For Parent/Infant**
1. Siblings of MSGL alumni or of current students receive priority.

**For Toddler**
2. Siblings of MSGL alumni or of current students receive next priority.

**For Pre-primary**
1. Current Toddler or Pre-primary students receive highest priority.
2. Siblings of MSGL alumni or of current students receive next priority.

**For Extended Day (afternoon portion of full-day kindergarten)**
1. To receive a priority ranking for admission to Extended Day, students must be enrolled in both Morning Pre-primary and Extended Day.
2. Current Pre-primary students receive highest priority.
3. Siblings of MSGL alumni or of current students receive next priority.

**For Elementary**
1. Current Morning Pre-primary + Extended Day students receive highest priority.
2. Current kindergarten students in either Morning or Afternoon Preprimary receive next priority.
3. On a space-available basis, students from a non-MSGL background may be admitted, subject to individual interview and approval by the Director and Elementary Teachers.

When programs are full and a cut-off point for admission falls within a priority group, priority ranking will be determined by date of the registration deposit check. It is suggested that parents wanting to assure themselves of a program placement under conditions of high demand should submit an application and registration deposit well in advance of the March re-enrollment season. Applications are available in the Office and at MSGL.org.

In the event that a determination must be made between applications with the same priority ranking and the same deposit check date, determination will be made by lottery.

Since we do not vote on budget and tuition/fee schedules until May, you will not know the exact cost for the following year at re-enrollment time. Enrollment is finalized for the next year by signing a contract and submitting a non-refundable payment of 1/9 of the next year’s annual tuition by June 15. Failure to submit the contract and tuition payment by the June 15 deadline will result in loss of placement priority.
Parent Involvement

As a non-profit, family-run school, your time is required to make our school community work. Every family will be required to complete at least 20 hours/year at the school (June 1, 2018 – April 15, 2019). This requirement is per family, not per child. Families have two ways to complete their required service time; volunteering around the school or buying out the time. The board offers a buy-out option as a way to defer some of the costs that are incurred for general maintenance and site improvements when we do not have enough volunteer help. Your family may buy up to 19 of your service hours at $20 per hour. Snack rotation is still required, so you cannot “buy” those service hours. If your family has not met the service hour requirement by April 15, 2019, you will be charged $20 per remaining hour on your May statement.

Volunteer activities include hands-on time for laundry, yard work, recycling, office help, sound table, fundraising events, board or committee service, buying items for class projects or celebrations, etc. Parents can log their service hours at www.msgl.org

Service Hours

Don’t forget to log your completed service hours on the MSGL website.

This time of the year has so many holidays observed by so many different cultures. I would like to talk about how we share holiday information with the children. At MSGL, we are open to sharing anyone’s cultural heritage with the children, including holiday celebrations. We do not, however, share the religious teachings that may be associated with a holiday. We want to accurately and respectfully portray traditions and rely on families to share their traditions with our students. Sometimes, this results in not everyone’s culture being shared in a given academic year, especially if we do not have volunteers to help us. If you have culture to share, talk with the office or your child’s teachers to schedule a presentation! Family traditions and cultural heritage are so important to pass on to your children and are great fun for us all to experience. Happy holidays to you for each and every holiday you celebrate!

Cindy

Mable’s Labels

Keep your child’s items out of the lost and found this school year with labels from Mabel’s Labels and support MSGL at the same time. Select Montessori School of Greater Lafayette, West Lafayette before making your purchase and MSGL will earn 20% of your purchase.

MSGL is now an Amazon Associate

MSGL will receive a return from qualifying purchases you make after clicking through our link to Amazon. Using our associates link will not add any additional cost to your product but will automatically donate a percentage of your purchase to MSGL. The Amazon Associates program does not work on the mobile app. You must click the link and use a web browser if ordering from your phone.

MightyNest is another company that supports schools when you shop with them. Mighty Nest has many "green" products that are great for packed lunches. They will give 15% of your purchase to MSGL when you select Montessori School of Greater Lafayette, West Lafayette, IN

Box Tops for Education

Clip and Save Box Tops for MSGL. Each coupon is worth 10 cents, and they can add up pretty fast. Some packages that you will find box tops on are: Annie’s products, Kleenex, Ziploc, and General Mills.

Sign up for Kroger Cares

Montessori Parents Inc. #AX108
Alumni Panel
Wednesday, January 23rd from 6:00 - 8:00 PM
All parents are invited to come and listen to a panel of Elementary graduates as they respond to questions posed by the audience about "life after Montessori."

High school students, college students, and young professionals who graduated from the Elementary program at MSGL return to reflect on their experiences in Montessori.

This evening was designed to answer questions about transitioning to more traditional academic environments following Montessori as well as the lasting effects of an MSGL education from those who know it best – our graduates.

This event is open to the public but registration is required. Childcare is available to all current MSGL students and their siblings ages 2 to 10. The cost for childcare is $10 per child and includes age appropriate activities and pizza. Reservations MUST be made for childcare. Once you have signed your child up for childcare, you will be billed. Food and staffing are based on registration numbers. Childcare cancellations must be made at least 24 hours in advance of the event. Thank you for understanding.

Please register online today. Deadline to register is Friday, January 18th.

Open House Information
Take a peek inside!
1/28 Kindergarten, 5:30pm
Informational Meeting Registration

2/4, Lower Elementary, 5:30pm
Informational Meeting Registration

2/11, Upper Elementary, 5:30pm
Informational Meeting

2/25 All School Open House
5:30-7:00pm

Dream Dinners
Prepare 3 - 3 serving meals for just $35. For each order $10 will go to MSGL. This event was our largest dine to donate last school year!

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There are sessions at
5:30, 6:00; 6:30 & 7 :00 pm
Register for January 17th, 2019
5:30pm Session: https://dreamdinners.com/main.php?page=rsvp_fundraiser&sid=779463
6:00pm Session: https://dreamdinners.com/main.php?page=rsvp_fundraiser&sid=779462
7:00pm Session: https://dreamdinners.com/main.php?page=rsvp_fundraiser&sid=779461
Find PHOTOS of classrooms, parent education sessions and community events on SmugMug!
Looking back, there are many things I wish I knew about MSGL when I came here as a new parent. My family has been at MSGL for six years now. Our journey began when we enrolled our oldest daughter Abigail at age 3. We currently have all three girls enrolled at MSGL: Mallory is in preprimary, Rose Ellen and Abigail are in Elementary.

While our children have progressed through classrooms and grades, I myself have held several roles at MSGL. I started off as a parent, volunteering my required hours and helping where I could. After being at the school for about 3 years I was asked to serve on the board, and did so for two years. During my time on the board I was part of the buildings and grounds committee and helped with development. Finally, for the past almost two years I worked in the office working on development.

During my time here I have learned so much about the Montessori method, and what it truly means to be a parent owned, non-profit school. When I became a board member, it was eye opening to see how many hours board members put into making sure the staff and teachers have what they need to do their jobs. I saw the time and effort put in by the administrative staff and board members to create and maintain an operational budget. It soon became clear that tuition dollars alone only cover operational expenses, and that unfortunately there are some years where it doesn’t. That is why fundraising is so, so important.

Early on, I thought I had an idea of how hard all the staff members at MSGL work, but once I started working in the office, I realized the truth.

The teachers spend a lot of unseen time, preparing work and creating amazing learning environments to get the classroom ready for our children every single day. Most put in extra hours to help out with parent development, as well as other MSGL events. The office staff - Cindy, Lena, Rupa, Julie and Erica, wear many hats. If there is something that needs to be tended to it is usually one of them that handles it.

Before I started wearing other hats at MSGL I thought I was doing my part by bringing my child to school and completing my required service hours. Looking back, I regret not taking the initiative to do more. The first time I got an annual campaign letter from MSGL, I must confess that I did not truly understand why I should contribute more, even after paying tuition and spending time by volunteering. After seeing how the board and administrative staff makes very tough decisions about budget and tuition prices, and how tight the budgets are every year, I now know that we need families to contribute to the annual campaign and take part in other fundraisers. Now my family makes sure MSGL is one of the first non-profit organizations we donate to on a yearly basis. We have seen our investment grow and flourish, both in our children and in the improvements we have seen at the school. Please take a minute to see if your family is able to donate to the annual campaign. No donation is too small, and will be a great investment in all of our children’s future.

The main thing I have learned during my time at MSGL is that there are opportunities for everyone to get involved. If you want to be more involved, let the staff know and I’m sure they can find something that meets both your skillset and your interest.

For now, I am excited to see what my next role at MSGL will be.

Join us on Facebook:
Request to join our [Closed group](#) and like our [Business page](#).
Buildings and Grounds Winter Updates Service Hour Opportunities, updated frequently

We plan to hold two Work Days in the spring semester.

Tentative dates
- Saturday, April 27th (adults only)
- Saturday, May 4th (family and community welcome!)

These days can both count towards your 2018/2019 service hours.

- the wooden fence in the elementary yard needs a 4x4 post set and fence panels reattached
- final duct insulation installation in Building B furnace room
- accepting 6’-25’ indoor and 50’ outdoor extension cord donations

grounded cords only, please (every $20 spent = 1 service hour)

Playground checks have a few open weeks left this winter and spring. Sign up here.

If you are interested in helping with any of these jobs email grounds@msgl.org and we can show you where the supplies and materials are located.

Building and Grounds Committee Co-Chairs, Julie Peretin, Emily Kinsell, Cary Kerr

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Playground Committee Updates

The playground committee has partnered with The Adventurous Child to help with the installation of a hill slide in the summer.

We plan to remove the current equipment at the end of May. If you or someone you love has any interest in taking some (very) used playground equipment please stop in the office or drop a line to grounds@msgl.org.

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Swept some mulch? Raked some leaves? Shoveled some snow?
There are a few open spots to complete playground checks this spring

Sign up here

Trash bags are in the office and in the white shed, instructions and checklist are on sign up page.

Log your completed service hours on the MSGL website.
Proper Clothing for Cold Weather
Please prepare your children with the proper attire (coats, hats, mittens, snow pants, boots, etc.). We may go outside when the temperature with wind chill is above 10°, at the teacher’s discretion. This means that sometimes snow pants and snow boots are necessary even if there isn’t any snow on the ground. The children need the fresh air and they are happy to play outside with proper clothing. Please write your child’s name on their belongings, especially black or dark snow pants that all look the same! Thank you!

School Closures
During snowy weather and other emergencies, please check WLFI TV Channel 18, the for announcements of school closing. You may not be notified personally. Updates will also be posted on the MSGL Facebook Business Page and MSGL Family Group. Tuition is not adjusted nor is the school calendar extended due to emergency closings. They will announce our name, Montessori School of Greater Lafayette. MSGL does not follow county or city school corporations because we are not dependent on bus transportation. You must listen for our school name specifically. If you choose not to send your child to school in inclement weather, please DO NOT CALL THE SCHOOL. Simply fill out the absentee form on the website. If we close during the school day, we will contact parents by both phone and email. If parents anticipate trouble getting away from the office, it is imperative that your emergency contacts be up-to-date. Thank you.

The board would like to thank all families and friends of MSGL. It is your donations and commitment of time that helps to make MSGL such a special place for our children to learn. To those that have gone above and beyond we offer particular thanks and admiration. Please feel free to reach out should you have something to help benefit MSGL. Remember, if you shop with AMAZON, use our affiliate by clicking the pencil through MSGL.org. This significantly benefits the school.
Our Deepest Gratitude,
The MSGL Board
Ralph Johnson, secretary

Splinters from the Board
**Parking Lot safety: SLOW DOWN**

MSGL wishes to foster a safe and respectful environment for everyone. We have a lot of cars and kids coming through the parking lot every day. Our parking lot is small and can get tightly packed. Please follow the parking lot rules and drive safely through our parking space.

Thank you for doing your part to keep MSGL a safe and efficient school!

Stay to the right as you enter the main parking lot
Do not cross the double yellow line
Watch for and yield to pedestrians in the crosswalk
The speed limit in the parking lot is 5 miles per hour
Watch out for children, parents, or strollers coming from behind parked cars
Do not drive through designated parking spaces
The pattern in the main parking lot is counterclockwise
Park in designated parking spaces

If dropping off at the elementary house, stay as far out of the traffic pattern as possible

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**Playground Guidelines**

We have school rules regarding the playground that we hope you will enforce when your children are under your care and playing on school grounds. These rules are intended to keep our environment safe, clean, and promote respect and responsibility to our playground as well as to others.

- Please walk up the stairs
- Climb up stairs and slide down slide
- Use chalk on sidewalks or basketball court only
- Woodchips and mulch stay on the ground
- Trikes and bikes stay on the bike path sidewalk. They are stored in the shed
- Balls stay on the basketball court and are also stored in the shed.
- Flowers are for observing, touching, and smelling. Please let them grow so everyone can enjoy them.
- Logs, stumps, and wood cross sections need to stay on the grass under the trees.
- No gum on the playground
- If enjoying snacks while on the playground, please:
  - Have children sit on benches or curb until finished eating
  - Throw away all trash in large trash bins
  - Pick up and throw away large crumbs so another child doesn’t pick it up and eat it
- Only adults may open gates. Please discourage children from climbing on gates to unlatch them.
- Please do not climb on the fences, gutters, shed, pergola or trellis.

Thanks for your cooperation in making our playground safe!
Dream Dinners—Second Date
Prepare 3 - 3 serving meals for just $35. For each order $10 will go to MSGL. This event was our largest dine to donate last school year!

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There are sessions at 5:30, 6:00; 6:30 & 7:00 pm

Register below for January 23rd, 2019

5:30pm Session: https://dreamdinners.com/main.php?page=rsvp_fundraiser&sid=784327

6:00pm Session: https://dreamdinners.com/main.php?page=rsvp_fundraiser&sid=784325


7:00pm Session: https://dreamdinners.com/main.php?page=rsvp_fundraiser&sid=784326
MSGL All School Calendar as of January 11, 2018

check calendar regularly for changes

1/15, Board Meeting, 6:30pm
1/17, Dream Dinners Fundraiser
1/23, Alumni Panel, 6pm
1/23, Dream Dinners Fundraiser
1/28, Kindergarten Informational Meeting, 5:30pm
2/4, Lower Elementary Open House, 5:30-6:30pm
2/11, Upper Elementary Open House, 5:30-6:30pm
2/18, No Classes
2/18, Dine and Donate at Chuck E. Cheese
2/25, All School Open House, 5:30-7:00pm
3/1, Priority Re-enrollment and Sibling enrollment due
3/11-3/15 SPRING BREAK — No Classes
3/21, Dine and Donate at Panera (must have flyer)
4/18-4/19, No Classes
5/9, Spring Program, Harrison High School Auditorium, 5:45 pm
5/22, LAST DAY OF SCHOOL!

MSGL Mission Statement

We provide a child-centered environment facilitating independence and learning for the joy of learning, guided by the educational philosophy of Dr. Maria Montessori. With a foundation of respect for self and others and a strong emphasis on cultural appreciation, our staff and parents create a supportive network for families to help children become well-rounded individuals.