



ARBORLAND MONTESSORI INFANT - 8TH GRADE PRIVATE SCHOOLS

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The child's making use of all that he finds around him, shapes himself for the future."
~ Maria Montessori

Dear Room A2 Families,

GREETINGS! On behalf of the Arborland family, Ms. Kheya, Ms. Sanchez and I are incredibly excited to welcome our parents to the 2023-2024 school year! Thank you for entrusting your precious ones to us. I have been working as an Infant Montessori teacher for 9 years. I fell in love with the Montessori setting for infants and toddlers because I love to nurture the little ones with so much joy, kindness, and respect.

I am originally from the Philippines, where I earned my Bachelor of Science in Industrial Education, majoring in Mathematics, and completed my two years of Administration/Supervision Graduate study. I spent 10 years teaching as a public elementary school teacher in the Philippines. However, in 2014, I moved to California to be with my husband. Both of my credentials were evaluated by WES New York and credited in the U.S.A. I earned my Montessori Teaching Certificate for ages 0-3 years old through the University of California, Irvine (UCI) at University Montessori of Irvine.

We in Classroom A2 will do our best to give the best we can to your children's needs, especially their development such as: practical life, sensorial, and language. Most of all, we strive to give them the freedom to safely explore and learn through discovery.

A baby has an unconscious, absorbent mind. Implementing Montessori for babies might seem complicated and overwhelming, however, infancy is actually the period when it is easiest to first bring Montessori into our teaching as well as parenting. We are here to help, support and guide our families through a program that may include parent education and parent-child group experiences to meet the needs of your precious ones everyday. We love to create a peaceful and supportive environment. In this space, a child's natural passion for wonder, curiosity, exploration, and independence comes alive.

We are asking for a few supplies to bring for your Infant (please make sure ALL items are clearly labeled):

- a. Diapering: Diapers, Wipes, Diaper ointment
- b. Eating: Bibs, Sippy cup
- c. Playing: Shoes
- d. Napping: Crib size sheet & small blanket (to be taken home every Friday and washed)
- e. Just in Case: Hat, sunblock, and at least 3 changes of clothes

This is going to be a fun school year in Room A2! It's full of learning and exploration. We have so much to look forward to with our Circle Time, Arts and Crafts, Mother's Day celebration, Grandparents' celebration, Egg Hunt, holiday activities, and of course our Practical Life, Sensorial, and Language activities. Our goal for your precious ones is to help them realize their potential.

It is our priority to have close parent communication because we are all partners in caring for your precious one. Together we can make a difference! Please feel free to contact us by email if you have any questions and suggestions. We are looking forward to getting to know all our precious ones and families. We will keep you updated on any progress of your child's development and upcoming events.

Best regards,

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