



# ARBORLAND MONTESSORI INFANT - 8TH GRADE PRIVATE SCHOOLS

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Dear Parents of Classroom 3,

Hello families! I am very excited to start the 2023-24 school year. I have been with Arborland for the past 22 years and continue to learn something new everyday. My assistant, Mrs. Jardon, will celebrate her 20<sup>th</sup> year with Arborland in April. We make a great team! As we come out of the pandemic, we will be returning to many of the ways of the past while keeping in mind the spreading of germs to maintain a healthy, happy environment for the children. We need your help by keeping your child/children home if you feel they are sick and/or contagious. We will do our best to support a clean environment and instill healthy habits for the children.

## Teacher Contact Information

We have planned conferences twice yearly, however, please be assured that this is not the only time that you can talk to me. Our communication is the key to your child's development and education. If you have any concerns or questions regarding your child's progress or curriculum, please make these concerns known to me. You may reach me by either leaving a note in my mailbox, call or text me. I do give out my personal cell number, so please reach out to get it from me. You may also reach me by email at [mscurrey@arborland.com](mailto:mscurrey@arborland.com). I will frequently update Transparent Classroom with lessons given and photos. All paperwork will be placed in your child's red folder on the cubbies. As children get older, they will generate more paperwork. Many of the Montessori materials do not require paperwork, but rest assured, the children are working and learning.

## Class Schedule

In the beginning of the year, we will have a half hour of social/playtime outside from 8:30-9:00 am. This gives your child a chance to transition into the classroom.

8:30-11:00 am Montessori lessons & work time  
11:00-11:15 am Group time/singing movement  
11:15-11:30 am Prepare for lunch  
11:30-12:00 pm Lunch  
12:00-1 pm Outside Play

12:30 pm Nappers go inside to rest  
1:00-1:15 pm Group time/reading time  
1:15-2:45 pm Montessori lessons & work time  
3:00-3:15 pm Dismissal

## Share Time \ Items from Home

Your child may bring in an educational item to share with the class on Friday such as a book, rocks, seashells, cultural or handmade items from home. We discourage toys as they can become a distraction. If you would like your child to have their own Play Doh please label it with their name, otherwise I will provide it and change it out as needed.

## Change of Clothes \ Nap time

It is not unusual for a child to have an accident or get wet from the activities they do in the classroom. Please bring a change of clothes to be stored here in case your child needs to change. Please label all clothes and put in a Ziploc bag with your child's name on the bag. Also, if your child is under 4 years old, please bring a crib sized sheet and a blanket for nap time.

## Snack

A snack will be provided for your child during the morning work time. Unless your child stays for childcare, please try to limit snacks brought from home as this may discourage your child from eating their lunch at lunchtime.

**Birthdays \ Timeline**

Birthdays are a very special time. I would like to use this opportunity to give the children an experience of the passage of time with a personal timeline showing your child’s stages of growth. On your child’s birthday, you may bring in a snack to share (please provide napkins and necessary utensils). Your child may also commemorate the day by bringing a plant or book for the class. I would like to keep the focus on the birthday child. Please consider donating an item to the class instead of passing out goodie bags. I do keep track of all birthdays; however, I would appreciate a reminder in advance.

The Montessori environment will provide every opportunity for your child to develop his/her skills at a pace that is designed for optimum growth and advancement.

Looking forward to an exciting year,

Suzanne Currey  
Classroom 3 Montessori Teacher  
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**Birthday Celebration Personal Time-Line Form**

To make a personal timeline for your child on his/her birthday, we would appreciate that you fill out this form and return it prior to your child’s birthday. The information you provide us will assist in our birthday celebration on your child’s birthday. Two to three lines about your child at each stage is enough. Pictures of your child reflecting each age range would also be very helpful. If you’d like to create a poster that would be lovely. Photos will be returned.

Please tell us about any special development (first step/word/tooth/first word), activities your child liked to do, special characteristics of that age, a special event according to that year (vacation, first time on an airplane, birth of sibling, starting school, etc).

Your Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Born at \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_

at (Time) \_\_\_\_\_

Weight/length \_\_\_\_\_

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