

CORPUS CHRISTI MONTESSORI SCHOOL

Free the child's potential, and will transform him into the world. -Maria Montessori



Dear Parents:

It is hard to believe but it's the beginning of a new school year again.

Today while visiting with parents and observing in the classrooms we are reminded of what a privilege it is to work in this amazing community. And we appreciate that you are just as important to your children's education as we are.

Your children receive the best education when you and our dedicated CCMS staff work together as a team. It's a parent's enthusiasm, support and involvement that inspires children to do their best. Together we can achieve wonderful things.

There's a lot of excitement ahead of us, including new teachers to meet, new books to read, new friends to meet and new skills to master. We look forward to you sharing in those exciting times. We know how fast time goes by; one year your child's in 1st grade and seemingly in the blink of an eye they're in middle school, or in their senior year of high school.

In closing, we encourage you to fully embrace the moment and urge you to take the time to become familiar with our school, as well as create a "homework-friendly" home environment that will allow your children to excel.

Thank you for your commitment to your child's education and we look forward to working together as a team.

Sincerely,

Ms. Minerva & Ms. Cerise

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Jason Bond is one of the lead teachers in the Middle School community. He is certified for 6th-12th grade and has been teaching eight years. Jason comes to us from First Baptist School where he taught Middle School Language Arts. He is married to his lovely wife, Rose. He has two children; daughter Caitlin and son Cameron. He is looking forward to getting to know all the children at CCMS and becoming part of our growing family.

Lori Hernandez comes to us from Seashore Learning Center where she taught 13 years in a multi-age environment. She is excited to now be part of our family here at CCMS and has great plans for our middle school students.

Both Jason and Lori spent their entire summer attending the Montessori Middle School training and are very excited to be part of our family.

Upcoming Events: All Families Are Invited

August 23rd
August 26th

PTO Meeting -5:30 p.m.
Maria Montessori Social
5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

September 5th

Labor Day Holiday

UPPER ELEMENTARY

Ms. Ashley is in her 5th year in Upper Elementary at CCMS. She is a Texas state certified Pre-K thru 8th grade and Montessori certified 1st - 6th grade. Her love of Montessori began as a student at the age of two and inspired her to become a Montessori teacher. She truly loves having the opportunity to teach using the Montessori philosophy.

Sra. Virginia will be teaching with Ms. Ashley and will also be teaching Spanish to all Upper Elementary students. This is her 5th year with CCMS and she is excited to be working with the students.

Esther Flores has worked with CCMS for three years. She is a Montessori Teacher trainer and has taught Primary, Lower Elementary, Upper Elementary and Middle School Montessori. She had the wonderful and inspiring call to become a Montessori guide 25 years ago and still feels a passion for it. She is thankful to guide your children in this enriching and rewarding journey.

Ms. Kelsie is working with Ms. Esther in an Upper Elementary community. She will also be planning, incorporating and presenting lessons in Art to the Upper Elementary students. She is working towards her Bachelor's degree in education.

Ms. Melanie is in her 2nd year at CCMS. She has taught for ten years. Most of her teaching career has been spent teaching ESL in Jordan, the U.A.E, Japan and London. She enjoys working with her fantastic team of teachers and in a wonderful environment. She is excited to see the students become inspired and learn both academic and life skills.

Shelly Moses is working with Ms. Melanie. This is her 3rd year with CCMS. This summer she completed her Lower Elementary Montessori Training. She is also nearly completed with her teaching certificate.

LOWER ELEMENTARY COMMUNITY

Ms. Trudi is one the lead lower elementary teachers. This is her 6th year at CCMS. Ms. Trudi is our Section Leader in Lower Elementary. She is looking forward to guiding your children in their educational journey.

Ms. Jennifer has been with CCMS four years. She is also a lead in one of the Lower Elementary classrooms. She is excited to be working with your children this year.

Ms. Ashley is working with Ms. Trudi and Ms. Jennifer. This is her 3rd year with CCMS. This summer she attended the Lower Elementary Montessori Training and will be completing her Montessori Internship this school year, as well as, graduating from TAMU-CC in December.

Ms. Claire comes to us from Temple Montessori where she taught Lower Elementary. She is looking forward to an exciting year.

Ms. Wanda is a certified bilingual teacher. She will teach Spanish to Lower Elementary and the Middle School students. Ms. Wanda comes to us from CCISD where she has taught early childhood thru third grade.

Ms. Melody is another lead teacher in Lower Elementary. She has been a Montessori guide for many years in both the Early Childhood and Lower Elementary guide.

Ms. Suzanne is working with Ms. Melody and Ms. Claire. This is her second year at CCMS. She and Ms. Ashley will be planning and implementing the Art Program with the Lower Elementary students. She is excited to be working with our wonderful students.

During the next few weeks the Lower Elementary Staff will introduce and discuss the Great Stories in Montessori. The students will be introduced to Nouns, Colored Beads, String Beads, the History of Language, the History of Writing and so much more.

Please Remember:

- * *To bring a placemat and cloth napkin*
- * *To pack healthy food for lunch & snack*
- * *To bring the supply list materials. These are needed for your child's success.*

Athletics & Physical Education

Coach Shaun has joined our team this year. He recently graduated with his Bachelor of Science in Kinesiology. Shaun has worked as a coach for several years with the YMCA and worked with Miller Basketball Program. He is enthusiastic about sharing his knowledge with the students and is excited to be part of the CCMS family.

Special Education

Ms. Orfie is our amazing special education instructor. She is in her 5th year with CCMS. She has a Master's of Education and studies in psychology and sociology. She is amazingly gifted with both students and with nature. She welcomes students and parents alike to stop by and visit the new additions to her classroom (baby bunnies).

Custodian

Mr. Fidel is a favorite among our staff. He keeps our school beautiful and is always ready with a helping hand. He is a wonderful role model and a wonderful influence on all our students.

Front Office

Ms. Debbie is on her 3rd year with CCMS. She has a new role this year as "Office Manager". She is definitely the first person to ask if you have any questions about paperwork, upcoming events, scheduling conferences, procedures, medicines, etc. If she cannot help you she will find the person who can. We are fortunate to have her.

Peims/data entry/technology

Ms. Ada is starting her 5th year with CCMS. She knows all about the school, our families and students. She also has a new role and wears many hats this year. She will also be working in a new role as the "Technology Facilitator" this year in our new computer lab.

"It is true that we cannot make a genius. We can only give to teach child the chance to fulfill his potential possibilities."

