

INTRODUCING THE HAWTHORN PRESCHOOL

For Ages Three and Four



We are excited to be offering a fully staffed Montessori Pre-School classroom for the 2024-5 academic year. The program is now accepting three and four year olds (toilet-trained) for the “Children’s House” Maria Montessori’s term for the educational program of ages three through six. As the term implies, the classroom environment is structured so that all tools, materials and furniture are child-sized and therefore accessible to each child. Our program will be fully staffed by a Montessori-trained teacher and a teacher’s aide.

Both full-day (8 am - 2.30 pm) and half-day (8 am – 12 am) options are available. Tuition \$18,500 (full day) \$16,500 (half day)

Ages 3-6: Practical stage | Sensorial stage | Literacy stage



Mixed Age Classrooms – Placing children in mixed age groups, corresponding to planes of development, allows them to relate to children who are both older and younger. It also allows for a “confidence interval” around learning in that a child is not labeled as either behind or gifted simply because they acquire a concept a little earlier or a little later than same age peers.

Observation – Observation of the child reveals the proper timing for the presentation of new information and experiences academically, socially and personally.



Developmental – Awareness of the needs and abilities during specific times of development allows for optimal engagement and learning for the child.

Classroom Community – The classroom experience builds on the desire of the young child to master his or her environment. The classroom community is child-centered rather than adult-centered.



Materials – The use of self-correcting materials allows children to manipulate and explore at their own pace, experience satisfaction and develop self-confidence