

Application for Admission



I. Application for:

We strive to fully disclose our school and its programs to you and we ask you to provide information regarding your child's education below. Children entering our Toddler Community must be walking steadily and at least 15 months old. Children entering our Children's House program must be able to do the following independently: dress, eat, sleep, use the toilet and other basic self-care skills. To facilitate your child's transition to a Montessori environment, please encourage your child's independence in these areas. Children accepted in our Children's House are considered on a case-by-case basis, and prior Montessori experience is preferred.

Toddler Community (16 - 33 months)

- Half Day 8:30am - 11:30am
 Full Day 8:30am - 3:30pm
 Extended Day 8:00am - 5:30pm

Children's House (3 - 6 years)

- Half Day 8:30am-12:30pm (lunch/recess)
 Full Day 8:30am - 3:30pm
 All Day Children's House 8:30am - 4:30pm
 All Day Children's House 8:30am - 5:30pm
 Add Extended Morning 7:30-8:30am

Interested Starting Date: _____

Child's Full Name: *First Middle Last* Preferred Name (nickname)

Date of Birth Child's Age Male / Female

II. Family Information:

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| Parent 1/Guardian Full Name | Parent 2/Guardian Full Name |
| Primary Phone | Primary Phone |
| Home Address | Home Address |
| City / State / Zip | City / State / Zip |
| Occupation | Occupation |
| Business | Business |
| E-mail | E-mail |

Other children in the family:

Name(s) Birth Date School Attending

III. Getting to know your child and your family:

- ◆ What is your child's current (or previous) early childhood care experience (at home, daycare, nanny, etc.)? Do you have any specific reservations or concerns about having your child in a school setting?

- ◆ *Have you or your child ever attended a Montessori school before? If so, please briefly describe the experience. What attracted you to a Montessori education for your child?*

- ◆ *Describe your child in your own words (include interests, strengths and unique characteristics).*

- ◆ *What are your hopes and fears for your child concerning your child's educational future?*

- ◆ *What are your observations of your child's language development?*

- ◆ *Describe your child's sleeping schedule and patterns. (Where does your child sleep? Does your child nap? At what times? How many continuous hours slept at night? Have you established any rituals, etc?)*

- ◆ *Provide a brief description of your child's eating habits. Is there any significant dietary, allergy or medical history we should be aware of?*

- ◆ *Independence is emphasized in Montessori education. Briefly describe your observations of your child's abilities. What kinds of self-care activities (dressing, eating, washing, falling asleep, using the toilet, etc.) is your child able to do by himself or herself?*

- ◆ *What is your philosophy on "screen time" (television, videos, computers)? How much screen time does your child have each day / week?*

- ◆ *Have any diagnostic evaluations (educational, psychological, behavioral) ever been recommended and/or completed for your child? Does your child have an Individual Child Care Plan (ICCP)? If so, please describe.*

- ◆ **For Toddler Community applicants:** *Does your child wear disposable diapers, cloth diapers, or cotton training pants? The Montessori approach has successful methods for early toileting. Do you have any questions or concerns about an early toileting approach for your child?*

- ◆ **For Children's House applicants:** *Children are required to wear underwear and use the toilet independently. Briefly describe your child's toileting abilities. Does your child have toileting accidents? How often? When are they most likely to occur?*

- ◆ *Please state if there is any reason your child would be unable to participate in our year-round calendar or complete the full cycle of our Children's House program, including his/her final (kindergarten) year?*

- ◆ *At CHMS we value a sense of community and family involvement. Describe some ways you would like to become involved as new members of our school community.*

- ◆ *How did you hear about Cathedral Hill Montessori School? Why have you chosen to apply to CHMS?*

IV. Admissions Process

1. A school tour and classroom observation are necessary before submitting an application.
2. Submit an application with a **non-refundable application fee of \$50** payable to Cathedral Hill Montessori School for each child applicant. (The application fee is waived for families on child care or financial aid assistance).
3. Upon acceptance, a signed enrollment contract and commitment deposit will be due within two weeks.
4. New families must attend an orientation on or before the first day of school.

V. Enrollment Disclosure

Cathedral Hill Montessori School is actively committed to providing families with as much information as possible about our authentic Montessori programs before enrolling your child in our school. Because the Montessori method is based on serving the developmental needs of the child, we expect families to make a multi-year commitment to complete the full cycle of the Children's House program, including his/her kindergarten year. **All information on this application is kept confidential.**

Parent/Guardian

Date

Please send this application along with a non-refundable check for \$50 payable to Cathedral Hill Montessori School to:

Cathedral Hill Montessori School
Attn: Admissions
329 Dayton Avenue
Saint Paul, MN 55102

Office Use Only:

Date Received: _____
Application fee paid: _____
School Tour: _____
Child Visit: _____
Status: _____