

# Washington Montessori Public Charter School Parent Education Workshops



Whether you are a parent of a Montessori student or a perspective parent, these workshops will help you to better understand the curriculum and philosophy.

- Dates:** Workshops are offered on three consecutive Thursday nights  
 January 26<sup>th</sup>  
 February 2<sup>nd</sup>  
 February 9<sup>th</sup>
- Time:** 6:30 - A light meal will be offered  
 7:00 - 8:00pm Workshops held
- Cost:** \$25.00 per family. Use registration form below to sign up. Be sure to mark your selections on the 2<sup>nd</sup> page back of this flyer. Don't forget to mark your calendars!

Return your registration form and payment to the office by **Tuesday, January 24th**. **Childcare for children ages 3 and up is provided at no additional cost.** If you need more copies of the registration forms you may pick them up at the office or email Sharon at [office@wmpcs.org](mailto:office@wmpcs.org).

## Sign me up!!

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

# of Children \_\_\_\_\_ # of Adults \_\_\_\_\_

\$25.00 per family

Method of Payment: \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Check

Please make checks payable to: Washington Montessori Public Charter School

Dinner: January 26 <sup>th</sup> – Pizza and Salad	Number attending _____
February 2 <sup>nd</sup> - Sub Sandwich and Chips	Number attending _____
February 9 <sup>th</sup> – Spaghetti and Salad	Number attending _____

*“Only those who look with the eyes of children can lose themselves in the object of their wonder.”*

– Maria Montessori

*“We teachers can only help the work going on, as servants wait upon a master.”* – Maria Montessori

## Parent Education Workshops Sign Up Sheet

### Thursday, January 26, 2012. Choose one of the following.

- \_\_\_\_\_ **The Fable of Creation:** -Experience Maria Montessori's first great lesson. Your child is treated to this impressionistic lesson at the beginning of each school year. Now you have the opportunity to experience it for yourself! Presenters: Nancy Murray (6-9), Cortni Lane (9-12), Christy Boudreaux (6-9)
- \_\_\_\_\_ **An Introduction to the Concrete 3-6 Montessori Math Curriculum** - How can my child compute multiplication and division? What is the 1<sup>st</sup> lesson in algebra? How can I help my child with Montessori math at home? Presenters: Jill Gaddy (3-6), Sandy Kennedy (3-6)
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Group Initiatives-They're not just games** - The middle school teachers offer an opportunity to learn some interesting facts about the relationship between the teenage brain and physical activity. One way we provide activity is through Group Initiatives, which helps adolescents develop important skills such as: communication, planning, goal setting and many more. Come see what we mean as you experience a variety of initiatives that will challenge your brain, increase your heart rate, and have you rolling on the floor! Presenters: Patty Taddio (12-15) and Stacy Vander Meeden (12-15).

### Thursday, February 2, 2012. Choose one of the following.

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Initial Placement Pre-referral to Referral:** Special Education is a total school and total child process and not a jump from zero assistance to sudden placement. We have a procedure that starts even before the child is identified as needing services from the Exceptional Child department. Come and learn about this process and how it works. Presenters: Jen Hales (EC), Rae Cochran (EC), J.R. Williams (EC)
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Sensorial Workshop: Make your own visual discrimination sequence cards** -Come out and work through the eyes of a child. Presenters: Jane Hardee (3-6), Quinteria Hill
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Montessori Math at the 6-9 & 9-12 Grade Level**-Sit back and be amazed at the progression of math concepts that are being introduced at early ages with specially designed materials and how they build understanding of abstract ideas. You will find yourself wishing you yourself had been taught this way. Presenters: Janice O'Kane (6-9), Angi Godard (9-12), Amy Smigel (9-12)
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Life After WMPCS: Reflections from past parents and students.** This is a great opportunity for those making the transition to high school to hear from past WMPCS students and parents experience. Parent and student alumni will share how WMPCS helped them with the transition to high school and dispel any myths about the high school experience. Presenter: Steve Jones (HoS)

### Thursday, February 9, 2012. Choose one of the following.

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Integrating Writing and Reading with Cultural Studies in 9-12:** Because cultural studies drive the 9-12 curriculum, strategies for reading, writing, and even math must be embedded in history and science studies. Come take an in-depth look at this integrated approach in an American history lesson. Presenter: Darla Prescott
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Language - Grammar Boxes and Sentence Analysis:** Grammar Sentence Analysis has never been such fun. If you feel like you just never got it. Or feel like these subjects were just plain BORING - You've got to see this! Presenters: Jessica Adams (6-9), Christa Farmer (6-9)
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Montessori Philosophy and Foundation:** The importance of the 3-6 program with discussion of the sensitive period and absorbent mind of the 3-6 year old. Learn how the 3-6 Montessori classroom prepares a child for academics. Presenters: Sara Moore (3-6), Jo Dee Anderson (3-6)