

## All About South Shore Montessori School @ SCC

We are excited to announce the opening of a Montessori preschool in the South Shore area serving families with children ages 2.9-5



Our program will feature half day and full day options for families

Half day-8:30-11:30 (Drop off 8:20-8:40) (Pick up 11:20-11:40)

Lunch Bunch 11:45-12:30

Full day/Extended day program 8:30-2:45 (includes Lunch Bunch)

### A Montessori Education:

Montessori classrooms are child-centered spaces designed to support a child's foundational learning needs in a home-like, nurturing environment. Montessori teachers view the child as a co-constructor of their own learning and prepare the learning environment to meet their developmental needs.

Montessori environments feature learning areas including Sensorial, Practical Life, Language, Math, Geography and Science. Montessori classrooms also practice grace and courtesy with a focus on peace education.



### Our Location:

Second Congregational Church

Located across from the town common

## Montessori Curriculum Areas



**Practical Life** activities build confidence and independence through the development of self-care skills, concentration, coordination, and a sense of order. These activities are sequential and build on one another and also support the development of a pincer grip for use in future writing work. Some examples of activities you might see: Pouring water, scooping beans, preparing snack (food prep) lacing, tying, zipping and other work of the hands.



**Sensorial** materials engage the child's senses and develop critical thinking skills, preparing students for future challenges in mathematics, science, and language. These materials help children develop sensorial impressions through activities such as grading blocks of various sizes, color matching, color grading, Shape puzzles, and Geometric Solids/shapes.



**Geography and Cultural** lessons develop a child's understanding of the world and its peoples and places. Children enjoy using puzzle maps to identify countries and continents, sing songs about the world, use the continent box to identify animals, learn about earth's landforms, and more.



**Language** lessons nurture a love of language! Children are introduced to materials and activities that support the development of phonemic awareness, reading skills, and writing skills. Children will have the opportunity to engage with multi sensory materials such as the Sandpaper Letters, Moveable Alphabet, scissor skills, and more.

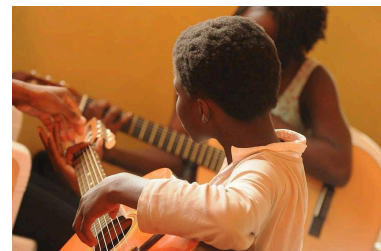


**Math** materials develop a child's mathematical mind. Materials move from simple to complex, concrete to abstract and engage children in learning fundamental mathematical concepts. Children will use the Sand Paper Numbers, Montessori Bead Chains, Bead Bars, Numbers and Counters, and more hands-on didactic materials to build their mathematical impressions.



**Science** provides new tools and opens children to a new way of looking at the world around them. Children will have access to materials that help them learn about land, air, and water habitats, animals, basic chemistry, earth science, and more. We will also have a naturalist on site who will teach a dynamic nature lessons once weekly to all students! We will use our own backyard to learn about birds, bees, bugs, and everything in between!

### Weekly specials such as Yoga, Nature, and Music



Daily recess and nature play in our fenced in, natural playground!



# South Shore Montessori Daily Schedule

Drop off begins at 8:20 and ends at 8:40

Children arrive in front circle and are greeted by the teachers who will help them from the car. We will walk them to their cubbies to change into their indoor shoes and will proceed upstairs to the classroom.

8:45-10:45

This time is the morning work cycle. Children can choose from a variety of activities and will also receive lessons from their teachers. Teachers observe to find the “just right” lesson for children. This period allows for deep concentration and independence with their activities of choice.

9-9:15 Morning Gathering

Gathering is an important part of the day that the children look forward to . We sing songs, do the morning calendar, large group lessons, read books, and have conversations.

During the first few weeks of school, morning gathering will focus on what Maria Montessori calls the Lessons of Grace and Courtesy. These activities allow children coexist peacefully in a classroom together. Some examples of lessons are:

- Rolling/unrolling a work rug
- How to interrupt a teacher or friend
- Taking out a work and putting it away
- Cleaning up a dry or wet spill
- Walking with a tray
- Carrying scissors
- How to look at a book safely
- Flower arranging
- Using the peace rose for problem solving

10:45 Clean up and getting ready for recess

Children will either save their work or clean it up and help with jobs. We use a job chart to allow children to feel purposeful and helpful! Some friends will will organize book shelf, clean tables, roll rugs, tidy shelves, etc.

11-11:30 Recess

Children will run, jump, and play with friends on the playground.  
Parents picking up for half-day, will park and come to gate to pick up their child

11:45-12:25 Lunch Bunch

Children will have more play time on the playground and then head inside for washing hands and lunch. Lunch a time for storytelling and camaraderie!

12:30-1:00 Rest, relaxation, and yoga time.

Children will have the opportunity to read a quiet story on a rest mat and listen to relaxing music. This gives their bodies a break for the hustle and bustle of work and allows them to relax, unwind, and take a nap if they need one.

1:00-2:30 Second work cycle

Children can choose from a variety of activities and will also receive lessons from their teachers. Teachers observe to find the “just right” lesson for children. This period allows for deep concentration and independence with their activities of choice.

2:30 Clean up and time for dismissal

Children will clean and get ready to head home after a busy day!

