

THREE RIVERS READS

Friday, October 6th, 2023



Family Orientation Next Wednesday!

Our family orientation event will be held next Wednesday, October 11th from 2:00pm to 3:30pm. Please join us at TRM to experience what a day in the life of a TRM student is like. During this event you will be able to:

- Visit your child's classroom and engage in Montessori works
- Visit the Special Education classrooms and experience a small group lesson
- Visit the front office and learn about our health office procedures and dig into the health handbook
- Visit the principal and learn how administration approaches student behavior
- See the Willow room and lunch area and see where your students enjoy their meals

We hope this event connects you with your child(ren) and helps you to better understand how they navigate each day here at TRM.

Reminder for Conference sign up

All conference times must be set up in JMC by 3:00 pm October 13 2023.

At that time the scheduler will be closed and you will not be able to make any changes to your day or times.

If you have questions on conferences please reach out to your child(ren)'s teacher.

If you have issues with logging into your JMC account reach out to the Director of Operations, Connie Wrightsman

Field Trip Reminders

TRM students will be going to Fresh Acre Farms on Tuesday, October 17th from 9:30am to 12:30pm. Permission Slips and Farm Release Forms are coming home today and we need BOTH of them signed in ink and returned by next Friday, October 13th. If you have any questions about our field trip please reach out.

Welcome New Staff!

TRM has had some new staff join us after the school year started. We are excited to have brought on Sarah Roell and Brittany Roehl as new paraprofessionals. Cassie Gruber, a TRM parent, joins us as a new Special Education teacher who focuses on social skills, and Lydia Skadberg, also a TRM parent, is teaching the Walnut room for afternoon specials.

Please join us in welcoming the new staff to TRM, they are already making enormous impacts in the Montessori learning of our students each day.

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Montessori Minute

The Montessori Method- From Whole to Parts

In this week's *Montessori Minute* we're diving into how Montessori education provides a holistic understanding of the universe.

In traditional schools, students begin learning about their state and city for years before broadening their studies globally or universally. In the Montessori elementary classroom, we begin with lessons about the universe, starting with the theories of its creation. Following the process of the birth of our sun and the creation of our solar system, students are introduced to the magnitude and mystery of our existence. We are able to nurture a sense of wonder in our students, kindling the fire of a life-long love of learning. After the introduction to the universe, students begin their studies in the classification and categorization of life on earth and the introduction of humans. By starting with the study of our universe, students are able to engage with their academic works with the knowledge of the larger systems we live in and can begin to interpret and understand the patterns within it. As they study the fundamental needs of humans, they begin to recognize how geography impacts the development of cultures and are better able to form connections across cultures. By starting from the whole universe and moving to its parts, students are able to critically consider the interconnected nature of our world and see their learning as holistic rather than compartmentalized.



Important Upcoming Dates:

- **Wednesday, October 11th:** Family Orientation at TRM from 2pm-3:30pm. See attached flyer for more details
 - **Friday, October 13th:** No School due to a teacher workshop day
 - **Tuesday, October 17th:** All School field trip to Fresh Acre Farms in Monticello
 - **Wednesday, October 18th through Friday, October 20th:** No school for conferences and MEA break
- TRM Offices Closed On:
- **Friday, October 13th:** TRM Offices closed
 - **Friday, October 20th:** TRM Offices closed

