



Summer 2012

Rochester

Montessori

Rochester Montessori School

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*Whole Child * Whole World*

An RMS summer means:
art, drama, pottery and sports,
science, fossils, robotics and French,
Minnesota, math and more!

Welcome to RMS Summer Programs!

*We invite you to join us in these wonderful
and unique opportunities!*

RMS Children's House and Elementary Summer Programs run for eight weeks, beginning June 18th until August 10th. The Toddler summer program will run for 6 weeks from June 18th until July 27th. You may choose any number of weeks. Toddler and Children's House are available for AM or full day. Some E1 and E2 classes have 1/2 day or full day options. Please note: If your child attends 1/2 day Toddler or 1/2 day Children's House during the School year, you must choose only 1/2 day during the Summer.

2012 Summer Calendar

- Week 1: June 18-22
- Week 2: June 25-29
- Week 3: July 2-6 (no school Wed July 4)
- Week 4: July 9-13
- Week 5: July 16-20
- Week 6: July 23-27
- Week 7: July 30-August 3 (no Toddler)
- Week 8: August 6-10 (no Toddler)

Registration

Additional registration forms are available at the reception desk. Please use a separate form for each child.

Current RMS families will receive priority placement until March 1st. After this date, registration for elementary programs will be open to the general public.

All classes are subject to enrollment, and we will do our best to notify you at least 30 days in advance if a class is cancelled. If RMS cancels a class, you will be refunded 100% of any tuition collected.

If you need to make a cancellation or change, please make it in writing, and you will be refunded as follows:

- On or before May 18th = 75% refund
- On or before June 1st = 25% refund
- After June 1st = no refund

All payments are payable by auto-withdraw and due upon registration. If you do not currently have an arrangement with us, please include a voided check with your registration. If you enroll a child 4 or more weeks, you may use our deferred payment plan and pay 1/2 of your tuition with registration. The second 1/2 will be invoiced by June 1st.

Financial aid is not available.

**Please direct questions to
Joan Lowery, Additional Services Coordinator
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Daily Schedule

Children's House & Elementary

The Drop-Off and Pick-Up procedures are the same as during the School year. **Please note that times vary from the school year.**

Morning Drop-Off 8:45—9:00 am
Morning Pick-Up 11:45-12:00 pm
Afternoon Pick-Up 3:00---3:15 pm

Snacks Will be provided

Lunch Full day Children will need to bring a sack lunch with a drink. We do try to picnic as much as possible so do not send heat-ups. Lunches will be refrigerated in the morning. *Milk will not be provided.*

Early Arrival and Late Pick-Up

EA and LPU services are available for Children's House, E1, and E2 students on a weekly basis at the following times:

Early Arrival 7:30—8:45 am
Late Pick-Up 1 3:00—4:30 pm
Late Pick-Up 2 3:00—5:30 pm

Please note:

We do not offer part-time or drop-in EA or LPU services during the Summer.

Summer with the Toddlers

We welcome our youngest community members to the summer programs!

The Toddler Program runs as a Montessori environment throughout the summer and is open to children currently enrolled in and attending the RMS toddler program. In addition to daily activities taking place in the classroom, the large muscle room, and our outdoors environments, the children will enjoy a theme each week of arts, crafts & books.

Week 1: *Transportation* (Ninie/Sarah)

Week 2: *Shapes* (Ninie/Sarah)

Week 3: *Colors* (Ninie)

Week 4: *Fun in the Sun!* (Rachel/Sarah)

Week 5: *Food, Food, Food!* (Rachel/Sarah)

Week 6: *Wild & Zany Zoo Animals* (Rachel/Sarah)

Daily Schedule

You may drop your child off at the Toddler classroom from 8:45-9:00am and you may pick up your Child at the classroom from 11:30-11:45am. Morning snack will be provided. Those Toddlers staying for a full day transition to the Dayhouse environment at 11:45 am for lunch and naps. Pick up in the afternoon will be at 3:15 pm at the benches. We do not offer EA or LPU in the Summer for Toddlers.

Children's House

These programs are for children currently enrolled in RMS Children's House classrooms. Children entering 1st grade in the fall must enroll in E1 classes.

Weeks 1 & 2 (Kate) Beautiful Bugs

An army of ants, buzzing bees, creaking crickets, lovely ladybugs, beautiful butterflies, and green grasshoppers are just some of the interesting insects we will learn about. We will study a new insect each day for 2 weeks. Sign up for one or both weeks!

Week 3 (Kate) Red, White & Blue

Let's celebrate America our home, with stars and stripes and other things that sparkle! We will create with red, white, and blue art in the classroom and fun food concoctions in the kitchen!

Week 4 (Kate) Explore Minnesota

The land of 10,000 lakes welcome you! We will learn about our Minnesota symbols, such as our state flag, fish, flower, bird (not the mosquito!), and even our state muffin!

Week 5 (Clarisse) "Fun with French"

While learning basic French words and phrases, we will explore the French culture including food, art, dance, music, and popular games like *La pétanque*. No prior French experience necessary. *Bienvenue!*

Elementary 2

Week 4 PM (Mark) *When I grow up I am going to Be A.....*doctor, veterinarian, firefighter, nurse, business owner, manager, teacher, police? Lets take a look at the many choices you may have. We will be welcoming visitors from several career fields to visit and share their careers.

Week 5 (Mark) Robotics

Using the LEGO Mindstormtm Robotics kits, we will change the classroom into a hands-on robotics laboratory! We will model real-life mechanisms and use creativity, logic, and problem-solving skills.

Week 6 (Sharri) *Recycle, ReUse and REINVENT!*

Join us as we use our imaginations to create sculptures and other artwork from found objects. We will look at some famous artists who have done the same. Bring your imagination and your junk!

Week 7 (Andy) *Rocks & Minerals & Fossils (OH MY!)*

We will experiment with and study rocks and minerals and their unique properties. A highlight of our week will be a trip to Quarry Hill on Thursday, where a naturalist will lead us on a geology hike and fossil hunt. We will also make our own fossils and ROCK CANDY! A \$7. field trip fee will be charged.

Week 8 (Laura R) Sports

Get all your athletic gear ready for a week of sports. We will learn the rules and unique history of many sports as well as go over basic drills, techniques and lots of practice to improve our skills. Since E1 is also having a sports week we will challenge them in some friendly competition! Wear your athletic shoes and appropriate clothing, and don't forget your water bottle.

Elementary 2

These programs are for students entering 4th thru 7th grades.

Week 1 AM (Courtney) “Vamos A Chile”

Spanish teacher Courtney studied abroad in Valparaiso, Chile, and she would love to share her experiences with you! During this week we will explore various cultural aspects of Chile including language, food, and dance. Geography of this topographically diverse country will be covered, and a brief overview of some of the country's largest cities will also be addressed. Join Courtney for a week of learning about one of South America's most interesting countries. *Vamos a Chile!!!*

Week 1 PM (Clarisse) Textiles

Textiles are fabrics which are woven fibers. We will learn about fabrics and how they are made. We will make some interesting sewing and knitting projects and add embroidery and other embellishments.

Week 2 (Laura R) Drama!

Do you enjoy acting and creating sets? Get ready to perform a short play! We will work on memorizing lines, basic set design, blocking and acting skills. Family and friends are invited to see our performance on Friday, June 29th at 2:00pm.

Week 3 & 4 AM (Travis) Pottery

Join us and experience working with clay. We will do hand building of coil pots, pinch pots, and sculpture as well as glazing and firing the pots. Try wheel throwing with Travis who is a professional production potter. This is an excellent opportunity for learning the basics of a discipline that takes a lifetime. This is a 2 week session mornings only.

Week 3 PM (Mark) Experiment with Science!

What happens when you combine different substances? How does electricity move through a circuit? What are the different forms of matter? These are some of the questions we will explore through out this week of experimental inquiry.

Children’s House

Week 6 (Clarisse) “The Little Artists”

Join us for a creative week as we learn about some famous artists and their styles. We will experiment with collage using the techniques of Matisse, wire sculpture like Giacometti, portraits like Modigliani, and much more!

Week 7 (Clarisse) “Lets go to the Beach”

Our mornings will be spent studying the Oceans, Seas and their Creatures! The afternoons will be spent outdoors with plenty of water play, sand, and sunshine while enjoying refreshing drinks and snacks!

Week 8 TBA

Our Mission:

*To Guide the Child through a prepared environment
to become an independent thinker
who is responsible and compassionate
to self, community, and the World.*

Dayhouse Program

Weeks 1-8

This program is for those children who end the school year in the Toddler full day program or in the Children’s House/Dayhouse program and who still require a nap. These Children will transition from the Toddler or Children’s House classrooms at 11:45 am to the Dayhouse environment for lunch and napping.

Elementary I

These programs are for Children entering 1st, 2nd, and 3rd grades.

Week 1 (Andy) M-I-N-N-E-S-O-T-A

This week we will learn about the great state we live in and study various things about Minnesota including its history. We will make some Minnesota crafts and try some food that is special to our state (don't worry, we won't have lutefisk!).

Week 2 (Sharri) "Art is an Experience, not an Object" (Robert Motherwell)

This will be a fun week of experimenting with traditional and unusual art materials. We will study some of the more interesting artists and their styles, develop ideas, and create our own sketches, collages, sculptures, and more.

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Week 5AM (Diane) An Author a Day

Look into books a whole new way! Each day we will discover a new author and the books they have written. We will discuss how we relate to the stories and make the connections by incorporating math, reading, and writing to make reading "real!"

Elementary I

Week 5 PM (Laura R) Recycled Art

Learn to look at household items in a new way! We will collect items to be recycled and create unique art pieces. Go ahead and start collecting

Week 6 (Mark) Robotics

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Week 7 (Laura R) Science you can eat!

Get ready to view Science in a whole new light! Join us as we explore the kitchen as a laboratory. We will work with various materials to explore solutions, kitchen chemistry, and plants that we can eat. We will spend some time in the RMS garden and explore which fruits and vegetables grow well in Minnesota. We will also learn about nutrition and the importance of a balanced diet.

Week 8 (Andy) Sports

Get your athletic gear ready for a week of sports. During this week we will learn the fundamentals and practice our skills for different sports, as well as learn about the unique history of the sports. Since E2 is also having a sports week, we will challenge them to some friendly competition! Please wear appropriate clothing, athletic shoes and don't forget your water bottle.

Enrichment Adventure

This program is an alternative to E1 classes for Children entering 1st & 2nd grades. Full day children are welcome to join E1 classes for the afternoon.

Week 4 AM (Diane)

This is a week of reinforcing basic reading, math, and language arts skills through interactive, theme based daily units.