Thank you for supporting the Fall Festival. We had a perfect night.

Pictures are available on our Facebook page and in Montessori Compass!
A note from Mr. Edinger
Head of School

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It is that time of year when we are asking for your support with the Annual Fund. This is a critical fundraiser for our school. Every gift is appreciated. Please give today by returning your pledge card, give on-line, or simply drop a check in the mail.

At the Montessori School of Wooster, children from all walks of life learn to navigate the world together with independence, confidence, and curiosity. Ours is an exceptionally individualized, hands-on approach to education designed to help each child progress at their own rate. In a peaceful, natural environment, our children build respect for themselves, for others, and for their world. We are proud to offer this unmatched educational opportunity to 180 toddlers, preschool, elementary and middle school students from across Wayne, Holmes and Ashland counties.

In 2016 we expanded our preschool and kindergarten programs, added a middle school, and opened a state-of-the-art Montessori building. Today our school operates at full enrollment – two years earlier than anticipated! This year we will be redesigning our natural playground to accommodate the active play of more children, completing a campus master plan for all of our indoor and outdoor spaces, and developing funds to support our teachers and enhance our facilities in the years ahead. Our ability to fulfill all of these strategic initiatives depends on your support.

STRENGTHENED MONTESSORI COMMITMENT:

Your generous support over the past several years has also allowed us to:

- Maintain a highly favorable 8:1 student-teacher ratio while keeping tuition affordable
- Provide professional development opportunities for all of our teachers – five additional teachers completed advanced Montessori training last year!
- Update and enhance our classrooms’ Montessori learning materials
- Better serve our families with expanded and enhanced before school, after school, and summer programming
- Improve the quality, comfort and safety of our indoor and outdoor spaces
- Welcome into our community a Project Wild Certified naturalist to lead student exploration and study of our six-acre nature preserve
- Increase inclusiveness through expanded scholarships, which are now offered to ten percent of our students
Montessori Monday

A Monthly Series to Help Parents Implement the Montessori method into their lives

The next Montessori Monday Parent Program will be on November 25th in the main building. The program will start at 5:30 p.m. childcare will be available.

Space will be limited and there will be a charge of $25 to offset some of the costs of this program.

This will be a Sip and Paint activity designed to simply provide some fun for the adults as we work to develop a strong network of families.

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“Growth is not merely a harmonious increase in size, but a transformation.”

—Maria Montessori
Winter Weather Delays and Cancellations

When the weather gets bad and we have to close or delay school you will receive a Compass message, email, see it posted on our Facebook page, FOX 8 News, Channel 3, Channel 5, and on WKYC, and hear it on WQKT. This decision is typically made between 5 am and 6 am. Our decision will usually mirror the decision of Wooster City Schools.

We have multiple start times and the news media do not have a name that fits our school well. It will likely be advertised as a two hour delay but it is not a true two hour delay for all programs. I build the delay schedule around the 8:30 start time for toddler classes which means we start school at 10:30. Morning care will start at 8:30 instead of 7 am.

What to expect during a delay.

In the event of a delay you will receive this morning message.........................

The Montessori School of Wooster is operating on a delay. Our morning care services will open at 8:30 AM. Students will be accepted for school aged programs at 10:30.

Those wishing to use the school aged program should report to the following areas:

Transitional Toddlers (Landry) - will report to their classroom *

Preschool and Children's House (Lanham, Duta, and Dilyard) will report to the morning care area

Toddlers (Dos and Seling) will report to the morning care program. *

Morning care is not covered by tuition during delays. This is staffed by our aftercare program staff and hours will be recorded to be billed the following month.

* Toddlers registered for the 7 am start will not be billed for morning care during delays. These students will move into the classrooms as soon as we have enough staff to open one or both rooms.
Carrie Nehrenz Returns to MSW

We welcome Carrie back to our office as the new Administrative Assistant. She has served as a classroom assistant and office assistant in the past. She attended Lorain Community College and most recently worked as an assistant in the Controller's Office at Buehler's.

Time to order your MSW logo spirit garments. We are offering T-Shirts and Hoodies. Let us know if it is a gift!

Order on-line at: Woomontessori.org/online