



Enrollment Application for Fall 2019

Established in 2009, the middle school at Childpeace weaves academic work with experiences that connect our emerging adults to the real work of adulthood. Guided by our Montessori orientation to the needs of adolescents, lessons are mostly given in the context of class projects that address each student's need to be in a community-oriented environment that inspires them to gather new information, practice new skills and make new connections with people and ideas. This experiential learning stems from a core curriculum that meets or exceeds Oregon standards and has proven to prepare graduates for competitive high school programs.

Metro Montessori is fully Accredited for Grades 7-8 by the Accrediting Commission for Schools, Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC).

A Note to Applicants

We are delighted you are considering MMM for your middle school years. If you have been in Montessori school for elementary, MMM is a place where you can continue some things you loved in elementary - like freedoms and responsibilities, longer blocks of time to work on projects, lots of dialogue and collaboration, and academics that incorporate practical life skills. It is also a place where you will experience new opportunities that will meet your growing level of independence, thinking, and social consciousness such as a more specific schedule of group work, real-world adult tools rather than Montessori materials, off-campus privileges, and homework.

We have a unique and vibrant program, and our students say you will feel successful in MMM if you:

- think creatively and enjoy thinking for yourself.
- are well-organized and responsible.
- learn best with fun, hands-on work.
- enjoy a respectful learning environment.
- enjoy expressing your opinions respectfully.
- can be self-directed in your work.

What do MMM students enjoy?

- "My favorite part of being in MMM is the amount of trust and respect we get from the teachers. We are not treated as 'just a kid' but we can have conversations with them."
- "I feel that MMM is an open-arms classroom. What I mean by that is that I feel like everybody is nice and welcoming."
- "Another thing I like is the fact that everyone is really open with the teachers, or guides. I've never been more interactive with teachers before. I think it would give any student more preparation for high school."
- "We try to be as adult-like as possible and learn what the world is about. MMM is a great place to be unique, creative, and to have a good time at school."
- "I like the fact that I am always able to work at my own pace. Montessori makes learning fun, and encourages me to learn what I want to instead of what everyone else thinks I should. I also like the fact that the teachers encourage me and help me to push my own limits of what I am comfortable with. Because we have such a small class size we are also very close to the other students and teachers and forge great friendships and relationships."
- "The Odyssey trip is a good bonding experience for everyone. It lets you learn about what other students like, so you can become better friends with them and even people you already know."

We know that when you join us, you'll bring your cleverness and creativity; we hope you'll also bring your good humor and openness to adventure. We'll be ready for you.

Apply for Fall 2019

Application due February 1, 2019

Please contact us at anytime if you have questions. We are here to support you through the process and we look forward to getting to know your family!

To help you explore MMM and determine if it is the right fit for you and your student:

Schedule a Parent Tour

We encourage you to visit MMM early in your exploration process. The tour is geared for parents, but students are welcome to attend too. Tours offer a chance to hear about our program and see the students and staff in action, with ample time for questions to be answered. **Parent Tour dates are Tuesdays at 10:00 am: November 13, November 27, December 4, December 11, January 15, January 22, and January 29.** Contact nancy@childpeace.org to schedule a tour.

Schedule a Student Visit

We invite your student to join us for a half-day at MMM! Every applying student must have a visit as part of the application process. Students will attend morning classes to get a feel for the school and community. **Student Visit Dates are Wednesdays, 8:15 am - 12:00 pm: November 14, December 5, December 12, January 16, and January 30.** Contact nancy@childpeace.org to schedule a visit. Prior to, or at the student's visit, please submit their Student Visit Permission Form.

Attend the MMM Open House

Join us on **Friday, November 8 at 5:00 pm**, for our middle school Open House. This event includes a generous overview of the program by staff, students, and alumni. No need to RSVP.

Once you have made your visits and gotten your questions answered, and decided MMM could be the right middle school for your student:

Start gathering the materials for your MMM application

- Application
- Parent Statement
- Student Statement
- Student Essay
- Current Teacher Recommendation
- Additional Parent Statement Page (for students not currently enrolled at Childpeace)
- Mentor Recommendation (for students not currently enrolled at Childpeace)
- Record Release Form (for students not currently enrolled at Childpeace)
- \$50 Application Fee (for students not currently enrolled at Childpeace)

Finally:

Submit your application by February 1 for priority enrollment.

- *****If you are applying for Financial Aid, please do so by February 1 as well. The online application can be found at the Childpeace website - https://childpeace.org/financial_aid.html**
- Once your application is received, and if your student is not currently at Childpeace, the school will contact you for a Parent Interview.
- Admissions and Financial Aid decisions will be delivered via email by the middle of March.
- Applications submitted after February 1 will be considered in relationship to the enrolled group of students.
- Applicants completing Upper Elementary at any AMI Montessori schools are considered to be the strongest candidates for MMM.
- Priority is also given to Childpeace students with positive guide/teacher recommendations.
- If an offer of enrollment is made, families will have **one week** from the date of the offer to accept or decline. A **Program Deposit** will be required to hold your space in the program.
- If you have further questions about the MMM admissions process, please contact MMM Program Director Nancy Coronado: 971-200-8316 / nancy@childpeace.org

Applications can be mailed or dropped off at:
Childpeace Montessori School, 1516 NW Thurman Street, Portland, OR 97209



Student Information

First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	Preferred Nickname
Student's Home Address		City	State Zip Code
Student Phone (if applicable)		Student Email (if applicable)	
Date of Birth	Gender	Preferred Pronoun	

Parent Information

Parent Full Name	Relationship to Child		
Home Address	City	State	Zip Code
Home Phone	Cell Phone	Email	
Occupation and Title	Employer	Business Phone	

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Home Address	City	State	Zip Code
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If the parents are separated or divorced, please advise:

Who has legal custody of this child? _____

To whom should admissions correspondence be sent? _____

Who is financially responsible for this child? _____

Please list all other children in the family:

Name, Birth Date	Name, Birth Date
Name , Birth Date	Name, Birth Date

Student's Ethnic Origin (optional): ___ African/African American ___ Asian/Asian American
___ Latino/Hispanic ___ Middle Eastern ___ Native American ___ Pacific Islander ___ White
___ Multiracial (please specify ethnic groups) _____

Financial Aid

Do you plan to apply for Financial Aid for your child? ___ Yes ___ No
(Financial Aid applications, found on Childpeace website, are due the same day as the full MMM Application.)

School History

Current School Name	Class/Room	Phone	
Address	City	State	Zip Code
Fax	Name of Student's Teacher/Advisor		

List the names and dates of previous schools your child has attended, back to age five:

School Name	Dates
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Enrollment Commitments

Should you enroll your child in Metro Montessori Middle School program as of September 2019, you agree to the following:

- Willing to contribute to the Annual Appeal and consider participation in other fundraising efforts.
- Commit to meeting the minimum volunteer expectations.

___ **For non-Childpeace families, Application Fee of \$50 is enclosed.**
This fee must accompany the application.

Parent/Guardian Signature **Date**

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Records Release Form

Note to parent/guardian: Fill out completely and give to your school's registrar. Not needed for Childpeace students.

Applicant Name and Current Grade

Today's Date

School Currently Attending/Last Attended

School Telephone

I hereby give my permission to the school I have listed above to release information to Metro Montessori Middle School as requested in the note to the Registrar below.

Parent/Guardian Signature

To the Registrar:

The student named above, who is currently enrolled in your school, or recently attended your school, has applied for admission at Metro Montessori Middle School. Please send us copies, only from the last two years, of progress reports, standardized test scores, teacher comments, or other pertinent information you feel might be helpful to us in evaluating the student's development.

Priority applications due date is February 1.

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Questions? Contact Program Director Nancy Coronado, 971-200-8316, nancy@childpeace.org



Application for 2019-20

Parent Statements

Applicant Name and Current Grade

You may attach additional pages as needed.

Parent completing this form: _____

1. Describe your child's previous experience in a Montessori program. Please include school name(s) and dates: _____

2. In what ways do you see MMM as a good match for you and your child?

3. How do you envision your role in your child's education? _____

4. What are your child's behavioral, social, and/or cognitive strong points?

5. What are your child's behavioral, social, and/or cognitive challenges?

6. What are your child's interests and favorite activities away from school?

7. Does your child have any allergies or chronic conditions that require medical treatment? If yes, please describe.

8. Does your child have limitations in participation of classroom or physical activities? If yes, please describe.

9. In the past two years, has your family experienced any significant changes that may have affected your child? Examples might include illness, death, relocation, or changes in finances or family composition.

10. How does your child handle responsibility at home and at school? How well does your child work independently?

11. What are the key goals you expect your child to achieve between now and age 15?

12. Do you have specific academic goals for your child in their middle school years?

13. Do you have specific social or emotional goals for your child in their middle school years?

14. What other schools are you considering for your child?

All questions on this application have been answered honestly and completely.

Parent Signature and Date

For parents whose child is not currently attending Childpeace, please also answer the following:

1. Why are you looking to change schools at this time? _____

2. Describe your child's previous educational experience. What were the positive aspects and what were the challenges?

3. What language(s) does your child regularly speak at home?

4. Has your child ever been accelerated, held back, or asked to leave a school? If yes, please explain.

5. Has your child undergone any diagnostic or evaluative testing for learning differences or psychological or psychiatric conditions, either in the school or outside the school? If yes, please explain.

6. Has your child had any academic challenges that required tutoring or remedial assistance? If yes, please explain.

All questions on this application have been answered honestly and completely.

Parent Signature and Date



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Student Statements and Essay

Applicant Name and Current Grade

Complete the following short answer questions in the space provided, in your own handwriting. The essay question at the end may be typed if preferred.

1. Please tell us why you would like to attend Metro Montessori Middle School.

2. Name of current school: _____

Describe your school: _____

3. What would you be interested in studying independently? _____

Why would you select this topic? _____

How would you go about studying it? _____

4. How would your teachers describe you? _____

5. How would your friends describe you? _____

6. What did you enjoy about your visit day at MMM? _____

7. Everyone has something special to offer - what will you bring to MMM that is special and unique?

8. List your primary interests and activities in order of importance to you:

9. What new activities or organizations would you join if available to you?

10. Do you have specific academic goals for your middle school years?

11. Do you have specific goals around making friends for your middle school years?

12. What are your experiences in the outdoors? (outdoor camps, nature walks, travel, hiking, camping, gardening, etc.)

Student Signature and Date

Student Essay

Answer the following essay question on a separate piece of paper. There is no length requirement, but please answer the question fully. Please do not seek assistance from anyone in writing this essay, as we are interested in your personal perspective.

Write about a specific time when you took on a challenge. This might not have happened in school.



Current Teacher Recommendation

Applicant Name, applying for grade:

Today's Date

The student named above is applying for admission to Metro Montessori Middle School in NW Portland. Thank you for taking the time to complete this evaluation. Your candid responses will help us gain a better understanding of the applicant.

Parents: please note that this recommendation is confidential and will not be shared with you after being received by Metro Montessori Middle School.

Your Name

Email

Relationship to the student

Phone

Street Address

City

State

Zip

For how long and what capacity have you known the applicant?

Please comment on following (check one):

	Usually	Often	Sometimes	Seldom	N/A or Unsure
Exhibits self-awareness	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Demonstrates self-confidence	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Manages stress	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sets goals	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Uses organizational skills	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Respects others	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Engages socially	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Works well in a team	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Communicates respectfully	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Can identify problems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Comes prepared	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Uses time well	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Asks for help when needed	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Describe the applicant's personal achievement in relation to ability.

Describe the applicant's emotional maturity in relation to their peers.

Describe the applicant's character and sense of responsibility.

Describe any notable disciplinary issues you have encountered with the applicant in the past two years. How did the applicant respond to those situations?

Has the parents' perception of the student matched yours?

How did the parents function in the school/classroom community?

Anything else you would like us to know about this applicant.

In regard to academic ability:

_____ Recommended without reservation _____ Recommended _____ Recommended with reservation

In regard to character:

_____ Recommended without reservation _____ Recommended _____ Recommended with reservation

Overall:

_____ Recommended without reservation _____ Recommended _____ Recommended with reservation

Signature _____ Date: _____

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Mentor Recommendation

Applicant Name, applying for grade:

Today's Date

The student named above is applying for admission to Metro Montessori Middle School in NW Portland. Thank you for taking the time to complete this evaluation. You are a "mentor" if you have known/worked with this student for many months, preferably (but not necessarily) in a setting with peers. Your candid responses will help us gain a better understanding of the applicant.

Parents: please note that this recommendation is confidential and will not be shared with you after being received by Metro Montessori Middle School.

Your Name

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Relationship to the student

Phone

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