



Mission Statement

The mission of the Montessori School of Iowa City is to provide excellence in education for children ages three to nine through child-directed hands-on activities

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**Montessori School of Iowa City Newsletter**  
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January 5, 2007

Snow or Ice Can Cause School Delay or Closure



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Snow and ice sometimes causes school to be closed, delayed or dismissed early. In the event any of these become necessary, we will do what the Iowa City School District does. To determine if school will be closed, delayed or dismissed early, listen to local television and radio stations for any information on the Iowa City Community School District. There will not be a separate announcement for the Montessori School. You may also call the school to check the voice message.

When school is delayed in the morning, please be aware of the following. If there is a one hour delay children who normally arrive at 7:30 AM will be delayed until 8:30 AM, and those who begin at 8:45 AM will be delayed until 9:45 AM. If there is a two hour delay, children who normally arrive at 7:30 AM will be delayed until 9:30 AM and morning only children will not have school that day.

Warm Clothes

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Just a reminder, children go outside often during the winter. In addition to a warm coat and hat they need snow pants, boots and mittens. Please remember to put your child's name on each item.

**January Board Meeting**

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The School Board will hold its January meeting Saturday January 13th at 9:00 AM in the multi purpose room.

January PTO Meeting

The January PTO Meeting will be held on Thursday January 11th at 7:00 PM. Every Montessori School parent is a member of the PTO. You are encouraged to attend the meetings.

Recycle Beverage Cans and Bottles

We recycle beverage cans and bottles. The money will be used to buy trees and shrubs for the school. Please make sure that the cans and bottles are stamped for Iowa recycling and that the bar code is intact. Water bottles cannot be recycled for cash. Thank you for your help.

No School On January 15th

We will not have school on Monday January 15th. The staff will be having a work day.

Box Top For Education



Our school participates in the 'Boxtops for Education' program sponsored by General Mills. This program earns easy money for us; up to \$20,000 per year! Here are the basics: We earn 10 cents per boxtop proof of purchase that we clip off participating products and mail into General Mills. You will find these on nearly every General Mills food product plus an assortment of other things such as Kleenex, Ziplock baggies, etc. They are very colorful and easy

to spot, and have 'official coupon' at the top. Clip these (neatly please) and drop them into the big cardboard school box at the front desk.

You can help our school earn more points by signing up at the Box Tops web page.

[Help Our School Get Points](https://www.boxtops4education.com/Registration/RegisterUser.aspx?SchoolId=32321)

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Recycling Ink and Laser Toner Cartridges

For every ink or laser toner cartridge that is recycled, two quarts of oil are kept out of landfills. The number of ink and laser toner cartridges thrown away in one year is enough to circle the earth. It takes 1,000 years for an ink or laser toner cartridge to decompose in a landfill. Recycling ink or laser toner cartridges helps to decrease the amount of waste that goes into landfills and helps reduce the amount of toxic chemicals absorbed into the Earth.

You can help save the Earth and benefit our school. Staples will give the school \$3 for each eligible ink and laser toner cartridge. Check out the list of eligible cartridges at the web site shown below, then bring the eligible cartridges to school.

[Eligible Cartridge List](https://staplesrecycleford.com/eligible.asp) <https://staplesrecycleford.com/eligible.asp>

Why Montessori For The Kindergarten Year?

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This article originally appeared in Tomorrow's Child magazine. Every year at reenrollment time, and in thousands of Montessori schools all over North America, parents of four-almost-five-year-olds are trying to decide whether or not they should keep their sons and daughters in Montessori for kindergarten or send them off to the local schools.

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