



ELEMENTARY TRAINING



HELP CHANGE THE SHAPE OF EDUCATION
MONTESSORI ELEMENTARY TRAINING FROM MCM



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*“Follow the child, but
follow the child as his
leader.”*

-DR. MARIA MONTESSORI



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WE CREATE OURSELVES

At the Montessori Center of Minnesota (MCM) we understand everyone is different and unique – from each and every child at the onsite Cornerstone Montessori schools to our trainees who join us to truly develop career-long skills. MCM's expert faculty and nationally renowned leadership work together to craft a training program that combines rigorous learning and transformational self-discovery.

100 years ago, Dr. Maria Montessori unearthed one of the key principles of Montessori teaching: every child creates himself. We encourage the same of our trainees and strive to provide authentic Montessori training courses that is an immersive, energizing and collaborative experience

AMI MONTESSORI

Why Montessori? What is Montessori? Whether you know it's for you, or you're looking to learn more, Montessori principles are simple. Every child enters the world possessing amazing, natural abilities and tendencies. Children construct their personality, their intelligence and language as they interact with the world around them: peers, adults and the things they experience. In fact, Dr. Maria Montessori believed the child's primary role is to create the person he will become.

Montessori teachers are the essential guides in that journey. The Association Montessori Internationale (AMI) Montessori Elementary Course helps you build the essential foundations and lifelong skills to guide children from ages 6 to 12 on their own individual paths to academic and social development. Trainees learn techniques and ideas to immerse children in the fundamentals of geography, biology, history, mathematics, languages, music and arts in order to help them continually grow and experience the world as individuals.



OUR COURSE

Join us and study for the internationally recognized AMI Elementary Diploma. Awarded by the Association Montessori Internationale, the organization started by Dr. Montessori to preserve and further her ideas.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must hold a bachelor's degree and an AMI Primary Diploma is preferred. Those applicants who do not hold an AMI Primary Diploma must complete the Foundation Course.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

The Montessori Center of Minnesota does not discriminate with respect to faculty, staff, students, employees or any other relationship within our organization on the basis of race, color, gender, orientation, handicap, religion or national or ethnic origin. MCM also offers a full Masters of Arts in Education degree option from St. Catherine University in St. Paul. Ask us for details.

YOUR PATH, YOUR FUTURE

From the moment you join us at MCM, our focus is on helping you find a path to a long and successful career in Montessori teaching. That's a good thing. The demand for Montessori teachers and administrators across the United States has never been higher. Each year teaching positions remain unfilled and additional opportunities exist for head teachers, school owners, and administrators. While we can't guarantee employment, we can promise to help all of our graduates find opportunity out there.



EXPERT STAFF



DIRECTOR OF TRAINING

As a child, Alison Awes attended Montessori schools until the age of 12. She has taught both 6-9 year old and 9-12 year old age groups in Montessori classrooms. An accomplished and experienced AMI Trainer and National Examiner, Alison has also presented multiple workshops on a wide variety of topics including making books with children, supporting the dyslexic child in the Montessori environment, and the prepared environment. She also trains

Montessori teachers at the Maria Montessori Institute in London. She has served on the boards of both private and charter Montessori schools and other organizations, including the AMI Elementary Alumni Association. Alison holds the AMI Diploma for Primary and Elementary levels as well as a B.A. in Art History from Smith College, an M.A. in Latin American Studies from Tulane University and an M.Ed in Montessori Education from Loyola University, Maryland.



“The environment must be a living one, directed by a higher intelligence, arranged by an adult who is prepared for his mission.”

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Since 2008, the Montessori Center of Minnesota has resided in a state-of-the-art, light-filled new facility. The 22,000 square foot building houses a unique and innovative training center for teachers; Cornerstone Montessori School and Cornerstone Montessori Elementary School; plus a one-of-a-kind International Montessori Museum where students and visitors can explore the roots of the Montessori movement. Located conveniently for major highway access to 35E and I94, MCM sits on three acres of land and hosts a fully stocked material making studio, lecture hall, custom practice environment and relaxing coffee bar. Each year we conduct numerous workshops as well as informational and social gatherings at the center. See for yourself.

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