



# HEART OF TEXOMA MONTESSORI ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

## FROM THE HEART

OCTOBER 2023



### MEET OUR STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBERS

- Landyn - President
- Whitley - Vice President
- Peyton - Secretary
- Kennedy - Historian
- Toni - Parliamentarian
- Vaughn - Councilperson at Large
- Ayush - Councilperson at Large

Student Council members will help plan special events, community service, and other activities promoting school spirit throughout the year. Student Council will meet the first Tuesday of each month, beginning in September, from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. Ms. Sam will be the faculty advisor.

The committee's members and volunteers have already been selected, and the council has begun planning. It is going to be a fantastic year!

## NEWS

### PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES OCTOBER 20, 2023

The school will be closed on Friday, October 20, 2023, for Parent/Teacher Conferences. Each conference will be 20 minutes. A signup sheet will be available at drop-off and pick-up. Please feel free to call if you have any questions.

### PARENT CORNER MONTESSORI AT HOME

The Grace and Courtesy lessons aim to teach children to communicate their feelings politely and appropriately.

These lessons shouldn't happen during an undesired behavior moment but at a neutral time when everyone is calm. If you notice something that needs to change, you can use the time to observe and make a mental note to do a Grace and Courtesy lesson later.

### TALKING POINTS EVERY FRIDAY

Don't forget to check your email every Friday for the Talking Points, which include a summary of your child's weekly classroom activities and class presentation. Please confirm receipt.



## *Science and Its Importance*

In a Montessori school, the study of culture and science aims to inspire preschool students to explore the rich diversity of cultures, past and present, and to gain a deeper understanding of our living planet. Through this exploration of our world, including people, animals, and non-living things, students will develop an appreciation for geography, history, biology, zoology, art, and music.



Vaughn H.- Won First Place at the Sherman Art Fest.

## *Art and Its Importance*

Art in the Montessori Classroom is fundamentally one of the purest expressions of the Montessori mindset—an essential part of the child's work. Art is an essential component of learning in Montessori classrooms. Each classroom has dedicated art shelves, ensuring students always have access to art materials for creative expression. A child allowed to focus and create art is directing their education, motivating themselves, and expressing themselves.

## *Upcoming Events*

- Friday, October 20, 2023: Parent-Teacher Conferences – all programs (School Closed)
- Tuesday, October 24, 2023: Science Fair (Time: TBD)
- Tuesday, October 31, 2023: Halloween Parade – Time TBD(families welcome)
- Wednesday - Friday, November 1 - 10, 2023: Canned Food Drive
- Friday, November 17, 2023: Thanksgiving Feast Potluck (families welcome)
- Monday - Friday, November 20 - 24, 2023: Thanksgiving – (School Closed)



**Amazon Prime Days - October 10-11, (Teachers have wish lists)**