

Preparing your child for school readiness-

Investing in your child's learning years from 6 weeks to 6 years at Miniapple will be the best decision you will make.

It is not the high school or college years that are most crucial when your child starts to learn. The kindergarten year is most critical for continuation of the Montessori three-year cycle so that your child's entire life will be well-rounded. The 3rd year is when social and academic success is fully realized. The year that everything that has been absorbed by your child gets activated through mental, social, emotional, physical, and cognitive areas of growth, and when your child is challenged to reach his/her full potential. Leadership and mentoring of younger classmates reinforces prior learning skills. To be empathetic, responsible, accountable, to set an example to the younger friends, being kind and helpful individuals and helping others to become successful are remarkable characteristics that the children learn during their Miniapple kindergarten year.

At Miniapple, World Music, World languages, Cultural exposure, Reading, Math, Science, Geography, Gardening, Art, Practical Life skills, Grace and Courtesy, and Sensorial start during the early years and are included in the monthly tuition instead of add-on weekly charges which is better to your pocketbook. Indoor/outdoor custom play areas, soccer, exercise, and yoga are also offered. This is the wholesome learning experience your child receives from teachers with years of experience and dedication.

For 35 years, Miniapple has been recognized as an award-winning environment with proven results. 67% of our students who complete the 3-year cycle are in advanced placement classes once the child moves to public schools. Our studies show 98% of our graduates go on to graduate from college. The experimental brain-based education or neuro-teaching, better known as the Montessori method of learning, is over 150 years old.

We offer a prepared environment, with Maria Montessori's development of a full set of beautiful materials in each Children's House. Natural wood, precise, beautiful, orderly, and clean classrooms are cornerstone characteristics at Miniapple. We are proud to provide this rich environment where learning is fun. Recently our schools have added outdoor classrooms for children to enjoy the fresh air, while appreciating the science behind seasonal changes. One more step taken during the pandemic that continues. The peace labyrinth for conflict resolution, learning to take care of the environment, yard work, woodworking, gardening, taking care of animals, and nature walks to enjoy the natural outdoors are some important aspects of the outdoor classrooms.

As our very own Senator Amy Klobuchar once stated at our International Peace Site event, her only daughter Abigail's success at Yale University as a top graduate, and the person she has become, is solely due to the solid foundation she received at Miniapple many years ago.

Research has also proven that children who graduate from authentic Montessori school like ours are well-rounded, gain lifelong self-confidence, are independent, make good choices, learn increased concentration, and do very well in individual and collaborative projects with a sense of



pride. The capstone year, as we call the kindergarten year, is like the icing on the cake. The Montessori trained guides use formative assessments and daily observations of every student, and keep records of their skill developments, presentations, assessments, and mastery to move on to more advanced activities. If necessary, the guide will modify or represent work for more understanding.

According to a new study by American Pediatrics, the 'School Readiness' in Montessori kindergarten offers far better preparation early enough to become a "lifestyle advantage", according to the researchers who have high respect for Montessori philosophy.

Social skills such as making friends and learning individual and team sports are important inside the classroom as well as outside the classroom. Combine those characteristics with our top-notch MATH AND READING SKILLS acquired during the third year. To realize that firm character building and confidence play a key part in carrying through to the next stages in life. That remarkable transformation of a child greatly supports team and individual sports once in grade school as well. Hands-on learning and creativity come naturally, and will blossom during the third year because there is no rigid structure of a conventional classroom due to freedom of choice and repetition of activities that help children to think outside the box.

Success stories like Amazon's founder Jeff Bezos, Google founders Larry Page and Sergey Brin, and dozens of Montessorians recognize that their self-directed pace in optimal learning, cemented in smaller groups, was the leading cause for their self-advocacy that held up to their success today.

Miniapple is known for the diverse staff and children representing over 87 countries. This melting pot allows awareness to grow up in peace and harmony. Our preschoolers and kindergarteners do lots of community service and events to give back, accept every skin tone, everyone from all walks of life, learn by self-correcting, and embrace mistakes as essential building blocks. It is our responsibility to provide simple but important life lessons through our environment if we want to cultivate peace around us. Make that choice now when your child is between 6 weeks and 6 years and the rest will fall into place very easily.

Why- Because you made the commitment to give your child the roots and wings to build that strong, nurturing, and powerful foundation for life completing the 3-year cycle at Miniapple International Montessori Schools.

Give your child the gift of early learning.