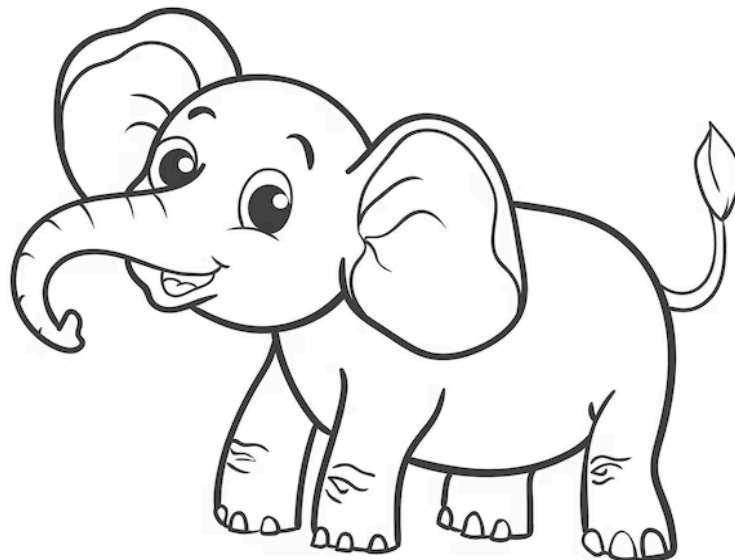


Welcome to the Elephant Room!

Our Montessori classrooms are mixed age classrooms with children from three years old through six years old. Our mornings are based on Montessori philosophies and ideals, working to foster rigorous, self-motivated growth for children in all areas of their development. The goal of this is to nurture each child's natural desire for knowledge, understanding, and respect. This time provides children with individual, small group, and whole group activities and lessons. Children use the Montessori materials to engage in activities specifically designed for their learning in the areas of practical life, sensorial development, natural science, social studies (geography and history), language and phonics skills, math, art, music, and more. These activities are designed to promote their social, emotional, and physical development.

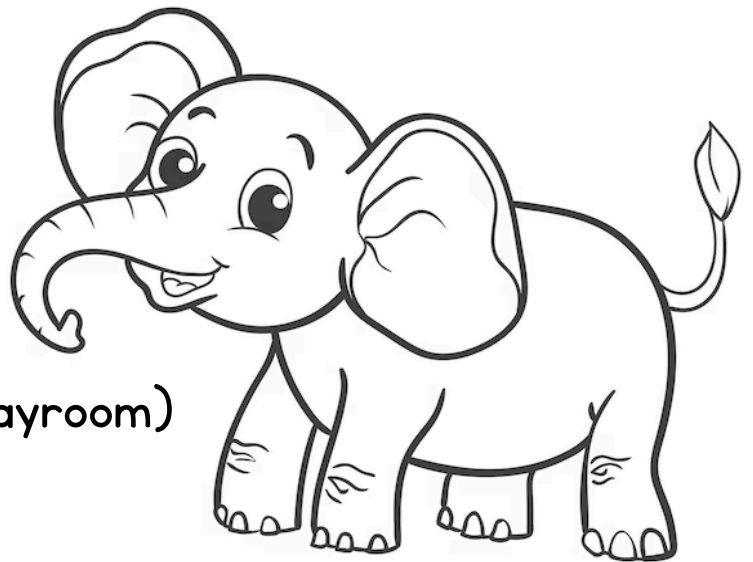
In the afternoon, our children are broken into same age groups. The three-year-old to three-and-a-half-year old children take a nap. The three-and-a-half-year-old children participate in Enrichment, which focused on the development of early academic skills to assist in the transition to Pre-K, including letter and sound recognition, fine motor skills, numbers and counting, and more. Our four-year-old children participate in Pre-K, which emphasizes various foundational academic skills such as counting, one-to-one correspondence, counting and writing numbers to twenty, comparing quantities, addition, sight words, beginning print concepts, letter and sound correspondence, beginning writing skills, and more. Pre-k students must be 4 years old by September 1st to be in the pre-k class. We also offer a Kindergarten program. Information about this program can be obtained during our annual re-registration period.



Elephant Room Sample Schedule

A more specific schedule tailored to each Montessori classroom is sent home upon enrollment, transition into the classroom, and at the beginning of each school year. A sample schedule for the Montessori classrooms is as follows:

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| 7:30-9:30 | Drop Off & Free Play (playroom) |
| 9:30 | Bathrooms & Morning Snack |
| 9:45 | Morning Circle Time (roll, calendar & weather) & Daily Lesson |
| 10:00 | Work & Activity Time |
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| 11:00 | Free Play (outside/playroom) |
| 11:30 | Bathrooms |
| 11:45 | Story |
| 12:00 | Lunch |
| 1:00-3:00 | Afternoon Classes (Nap, Enrichment, Pre-K & Kindergarten) |
| 3:00 | Afternoon Snack |
| 3:15 | Bathrooms |
| 3:30-6:00 | Play Time & Pick Up (outside/playroom) |



What Does My Child Need For The Elephant Room?

- Pull ups (must have the velcro sides) and wipes, if needed.
- Crib sheet and blanket for nap time, if needed. These items are to be sent into school on Mondays to be used for the week and sent home on Fridays to be washed.
- Lunch packed inside a lunchbox with any necessary utensils. There is no microwave in this classroom. Warm food can be sent to school in a thermos, if desired.
- Cups-leak-proof sippy cups filled with water and/or milk. Teachers will refill water cups throughout the day as needed.
- Seasonally appropriate full set of extra clothes and shoes to keep in cubby.
- Sunscreen (pump or stick only-no aerosol or continuous sprays are allowed) and a hat for outside time, if desired. Mittens can be sent in the winter-gloves may only be sent if the child can put them on without assistance.
- Backpack that fits lunchbox, papers, projects, and all belongings inside.

Please remember to label all belongings are labeled with your child's name to avoid any confusion

Google Photos Album Access: Elephant Room

Scan the QR code below to access and join the Google Photos album for the Elephant Room. Photos of the children and classroom activities are posted weekly.

