

DISCOVER ALDER



Start young
Grow from there

The child is endowed with unknown powers which can guide us to a radiant future.

If what we really want is a new world, then education must have as its aim the development of these hidden possibilities.

– Dr. Maria Montessori

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ENROLLMENT LOTTERY NOW OPEN!

April 22 – June 5*

**details inside*



Alder Montessori is a tuition-free preschool program for families living in the Alder Elementary School boundary.

WHAT IS MONTESSORI?

Montessori education emphasizes respect for oneself, for others, and for the whole community, while building strong academic and social skills. The program at Alder opened four years ago for children aged 3-5 to help prepare students for kindergarten, and to provide high quality early childhood education at no cost to families.

Alder Montessori is tuition-free, and open to families living within the Alder Elementary School boundary. New students are chosen by lottery, with greatest priority given to families with greatest need.

Support for Alder Montessori comes from Alliance for Equity in Montessori Education (AEME), Greater Than, Preschool Promise, and other partners. Alder Montessori has two beautifully furnished Montessori classrooms within Alder Elementary. Each class is lead by a Montessori-trained teacher, with skilled assistants and support staff.

Important Dates:

April 22–June 5: Lottery is open

May 28, 5:30-7pm: Prospective Parent Night for all interested families

June 6: First Lottery draw

June 10: Second Lottery draw



How does the lottery work?

1. Go to the office at Alder Elementary School and fill out an application with the Registrar between April 22 and June 5.



2. Come to the Prospective Parent Night on May 28th at Alder. See the classrooms, meet staff, pick up an application if you don't have one already, and return to the Registrar.

3. You will be contacted after June 6th to let you know about the enrollment process, even if your child is placed on the wait list.

