



BILINGUAL MONTESSORI ACADEMY

A large green chalkboard with an orange border. At the bottom left, there is a small illustration of a desk with a black triangle representing a book and two yellow vertical bars representing pens or pencils.

2016 - 2017
School Calendar

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SPRING BILINGUAL MONTESSORI ACADEMY

SCHOOL CALENDAR 2016-2017

July/August 2016

July 1	Fri	First Tuition and Extra Care Payments Due: All Payment Plans
Aug 27	Sat	"By Hand Day" 9:00 am – 11:30 am (New Students & Parents Only)
Aug 31	Wed	Parent Education Night 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm: <u>Back-to-School Orientation</u> (Parents Only)

September

Welcome back to school!

5	Mon	School Closed – Labor Day Holiday (JOIN US TO WALK IN THE KENSINGTON LABOR DAY PARADE)
6	Tue	First Day of School for all students – Regular schedule and Extra Care
9	Fri	First Friday Coffee – Local Coffee Shop
16	Fri	Family Picnic 5:00 pm - 7:30 pm After-Care Closes at 4:00 pm
17	Sat	Meeting for Parent Volunteers 10:00 am – 11:00 am
21	Wed	Parent Education Night 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm: <u>Montessori Presentation</u> (Parents Only)

October

3	Mon	School Closed – Non-Instructional Day
7	Fri	First Friday Coffee – Local Coffee Shop
12	Wed	School Closed – Non-Instructional Day
19	Wed	Parent Education Night 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm: <u>N.E.S.T. & Foreign Language Presentation</u> (Parents Only)
28	Fri	Father's Pumpkin Festival 10:30 am - 11:30 am
31	Mon	Halloween Party (Children Only)

November

Schedule Your Classroom Visit

4	Fri	First Friday Coffee – Local Coffee Shop
5	Sat	Open House for Prospective Families 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
7	Mon	School Closed – Professional Day for Teachers
18	Fri	Visiting Day Option 1 (Reservation Required)
22	Tue	Thanksgiving Lunch for Families 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm (RSVP Required)
23-25	Wed-Fri	School Closed – Thanksgiving Break

December

2	Fri	Visiting Day Option 2 (Reservation Required) & First Friday Coffee
16	Fri	Holiday Party (Children Only)
Dec. 21 – Jan. 1		School Closed – Winter Break
21-22 & 28-30		Winter Break Camp (Preregistration Required for Participation)

Happy Holidays! Bonnes Fêtes! Feliz Navidad! Buon Capodanno!

January 2017

Priority 2016-2017 Registration

3	Tues	Return to school
6	Fri	First Friday Coffee – Local Coffee Shop
7	Sat	Open House for Prospective Families 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
16	Mon	School Closed – Martin Luther King Holiday
27	Fri	School Closed – Professional Day for Teachers
30	Mon	Sibling Application for Enrollment Deadline for 2016 - 2017

February Schedule Your Observation & Conference

1	Wed	Observation & Conference Period Begins (Reservation Required)
3	Fri	First Friday Coffee – Local Coffee Shop
14	Tues	Valentines Day Party at school (Children Only; No Valentines from home please!)
20	Mon	School Closed - Presidents Day Holiday
27	Mon	Returning Student & Sibling Priority Registration Deadline: Contracts due for 2016 - 2017

March

3	Fri	First Friday Coffee – Local Coffee Shop
24	Fri	Grandparents Day Celebration 10:30 am - 11:30 am
31	Fri	Observation & Conference Period Ends (Reservation Required)

April

7	Fri	School Closed – Professional Day for Teachers & First Friday Coffee
April 10 – 17		School Closed – Spring Break
10-13	M-Th	Spring Break Camp (Preregistration Required for Participation)
18	Tues	Return to School

May

Tentative Field Trip

5	Fri	First Friday Coffee – Local Coffee Shop
12	Fri	Mother's Day Tea 10:30 am - 11:30 am
29	Mon	School Closed – Memorial Day

June

End of Year!

2	Fri	Last Friday Coffee – Local Coffee Shop
11	Sun	End of Year Celebration and Graduation (Schweinhaut Senior Center) 10:00 am – 1:30 pm
13	Tues	Last Day of School "Show & Tell" (Children Only) Dismissal at 11:45 am

Have a great summer!

REGARDING INCLEMENT WINTER WEATHER



Spring Bilingual Montessori Academy (SBMA) follows Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) decisions in regard to school closure, delayed opening or early dismissal due to inclement weather. Such information is announced through local TV news and radio stations and is available on the MCPS website (<http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/>) and is posted on the MCPS website (<http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/>).

If MCPS announces a “DELAYED OPENING”:

- SBMA Before-Care will not be available
- SBMA will delay the start of the school day by the number of hours specified by the announced delay. For instance, if MCPS announces a 2 (two) hour delay, SBMA will open at 10:30 a.m. for Primary students and 11:00 a.m. for students in the N.E.S.T.

If MCPS announces “AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES ARE CANCELLED”:

- SBMA After-Care will not be available
- All students will be dismissed at 3:00 p.m.

In the event of an emergency SPECIFIC TO OUR SCHOOL, SBMA will notify all current families by email and telephone, as well as post an announcement on the school’s answering machine.

In compliance with the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) requirement for non-public schools with Kindergarten, our calendar has 170 days of school plus an additional 5 days built-in for snow/emergency days. If the school year should be disrupted by weather or other emergencies causing SBMA to close more than 5 days, the school year will be extended as follows (unless the state of Maryland waives this requirement for independent schools):

If SBMA is closed 6 Days, the last day of school will be Wednesday, June 14, 2017

If SBMA is closed 7 days, the last day of school will be Thursday, June 15, 2017

If SBMA is closed 8 days, the last day of school will be Friday, June 16, 2017