

Morningside Montessori School
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For School Year: 2010 - 2011

If You Want to Apply to Morningside, Please Note the Important Dates Below:

- Dec. 1** Families who toured the school can call to schedule a visit for their children. The visits will take place January and February.
- Dec. 14** Application deadline – MMS must have a complete application by this date.
If your tour takes place after Dec. 14th, you have until Dec. 22nd to submit your application.
- Jan. 4** The child-visit slots are opened up to families who were not able to tour the school.

By the time your child comes for a visit, you need to let us know which program(s) you are interested in, and your order of preference (3 day, 5 day, PM). If you have no preference but would be equally content with several classes, please let us know that as well.

Tuition and Other Fees:

- Tuition for the current school year is listed on the back of the Application Form.
- In addition to tuition, there is a \$500 loan to the school, which is returned when your child graduates. This is a one-time-only fee.
- There is also an annual \$100 fee, which helps defray the cost of dinner for both parents at our Spring Auction, an event that raises money for the Scholarship Fund. (Scholarship recipients are not charged this fee.) Single parents are charged \$50.

MMS is a Parent Cooperative:

- Families are required to contribute **18 hours** of work to the school each year.
- Single parents are required to donate **9 hours** of work to the school each year.
 - Most work hours do not take place in the classroom.
 - Most work hours are needed for our scholarship fundraising events – the Fall Street Fair and Spring Auction. Part of the work hours must include working at the Street Fair.
 - Another ask requirement is attendance at the auction.
- Parents are sent a Work Agreement form along with the contract. The work Agreement is considered an extension of the contract.

MMS Must Close for Jewish Holidays:

- This is part of the lease with the Temple.
- This can be as many as 8 days in the fall, depending on the calendar.
- The rest of the year is relatively unaffected. Our Spring Break always falls during Passover.
- Although we sometimes have to close for a day or two in May or June for Shavuot.
- Except for Jewish holidays, our school calendar closely follows the NYC public schools.

Toilet Training:

- Children must be toilet-trained by the time they turn three.
- Although teachers are prepared to deal with accidents, the majority of their time must be spent in the classroom with all the children.
- What if MMS accepts a child when s/he is 2-1/2 and s/he is not toilet-trained in September, does MMS un-accept him? The answer is “No”; MMS will work with the family at whatever stage they’re at in the process. Nevertheless, we want to make it clear that it’s important to us that children are toilet-trained by the time they turn three.

