



Minnesota Montessori Network

Connecting Montessorians in Minnesota
and Minnesotans to Montessori

Montessori Education Week Tool-Kit

Community

- ✘ Reserve a display case at your local library - create a display using our Montessori Education Week Display toolkit to educate your community. *Templates for library displays and photo examples of layout are at mnmn.org*
- ✘ Donate Montessori books to your local library so your community can learn about Montessori education. Ask your librarian to display Montessori books during Montessori Education Week.
- ✘ Invite school board members, local officials, representatives, and/or our governor to visit your school.
- ✘ Issue a press release for the newspaper. *Template: www.montessori-opportunities.com/press_releases*
- ✘ Ask your neighborhood association to help promote Montessori Education Week.
- ✘ Have children create posters or slogans about Montessori. Give the work added meaning, connect Minnesotans to Montessori, and serve your community by displaying them at a mall, library, or other community space.

School

- ✘ Create a large banner to display at the entrance to the school – *Banner graphic available on mnmn.org*
- ✘ Host a community spaghetti dinner - Italian themed because Montessori was Italian!
- ✘ Celebrate each day of the week with themes such as Peace Day, Montessori pride day (wear school t-shirt) Italy Day to celebrate our favorite Italian (wear green, red, white, pizza party for the school etc...)

Students

Create

- ✘ Kids create Montessori t-shirts to wear to school.
- ✘ Create an art project about their favorite materials or work.
- ✘ Children create art project that includes Maria Montessori's picture that can go home and be shared with parents.
- ✘ Have students perform a school play about Maria Montessori

Educate

- ✘ Teach your students about Dr. Montessori: Have a volunteer dress as Maria Montessori and visit the classroom, do a timeline presentation about Montessori or bring in a photo to have in the classroom and talk about her life.
- ✘ Visit the international Montessori Museum at the Montessori Center of Minnesota! A minimum of 45 minutes should be planned and all ages elementary and up are welcome. Call 651-298-1120 to schedule your time.

Appreciate

- ✘ Write letters to their families thanking them for choosing Montessori education.
- ✘ Children write letters to the editor or city/community council members, or governor about Montessori education week and why they appreciate their Montessori education.

Staff

- ✘ Send daily emails to staff with Montessori quotes or something inspirational you wrote
- ✘ Provide lunch for the staff one day (email parents to see if they'd be willing to donate!)
- ✘ Small token of appreciation (parent donations? Key chains, buttons, etc.)

Families

- ✘ Parents write letters to their children explaining why they send their child to Montessori school
- ✘ Book fair – read-a-thon (A good way to get the local paper to come for Montessori education week)
- ✘ Create a display at school about Montessori Education Week (use our library display kit)
- ✘ Share a Montessori “Word of the Day” or “Work of the Day” by Facebook or email.