#### HoS Report - August 26, 2021

# Urban Montessori CHARTER SCHOOL

#### **Upcoming Events**

Recent and Upcoming Events:

(This Year's <u>Calendar</u>!)

- Calendar of Events: Back to School night, Parent ed nights and more!
- White Fragility Book Group: Aug 31
- Read-a-thon kick off!

#### **In-Person Learning!**

Safe and successful start of the year:

#### • All staff and students on single campus for the First time EVER!

- Supports positive staff culture and collaboration
- So many opportunities for student mentoring and leadership

- Nearly 2 weeks in without incident!
  - We have been following our protocols strictly with great results so far
  - We are ready to support any positive cases or exposures when they occur

## Instructional Updates

Systems!

#### Montessori Planning and Record Keeping

- Curriculum Map
- Record Keeping tied to Curriculum Map
- Common lesson planning tools
- Observation tools to inform lesson planning

#### Curriculum Map

- Developed by practitioners and trainers across the country
- Give teachers a guide through Montessori curriculum and state standards so students have experience with concepts before being tested on it

### Curriculum Map

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Month	Language: Reading	Language: Word Study/Grammar	Language: Writing		Geometry/ Data and Measurement	Geography History Red text indicates lessons across all levels	Biology (Botany & Zoology) Red text indicates lessons across all levels	Music	Art
August	World Creation Stories Student reader: Snap Shots Read aloud: Setting Lesson Expectations Sounds: see Detailed Reading Sequence tab Puzzle words Using the Class library, care of books	Recognizes rhyme in two words presented orally Uses rhymes Claps syllables		understanding Numeracy	Nomenclature (review & identify geometric solids in environment) <u>Geometric Design and Construction</u> Design with Metal Insets	GEOGRAPHY Great Stories The Story of the Universe (story, experiments, and charts) <u>Puzzle Maps</u> - Tracing & labelling using an atlas Other Map Work	Review: <u>Introduction</u> - Living/Non-Living - Plants/Animals Practical Life: Care of the Environment, including Plants and Animals		Metal Material Design
September	Sounds: see Detailed Reading Sequence tab Puzzle words	Noun: Introduction Capital letters- uses of (for use in work journal)		Bead Chains: - Squaring Chains: Creation of Geometric Shapes	Congruency, Similarity, Equivalence - Introduction to congruent, similar, equivalent <u>Measurement</u> Leasth	GEOGRAPHY Great Stories The Story of the Universe (continued experiments)	Timeline of Life (including the Great Story) The Plant (Introduction to Plants: Intro to Plant Kingdom, Plant Story, Porte of Plant etc.)	Singing	Finger Knitting

#### **Record Keeping Tied to Curriculum Map**

- Transparent Classroom
- Public Montessori Lesson set from the curriculum guide matches the lesson set in Transparent Classroom

#### Record Keeping Tied to Curriculum Map

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Practical Life	=	Mathematics		
Geography	=	> Great Story (1)		
Biology	=	> The Decimal System, Categories, and Nume	ration (2)	
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anguage	=	> Division (3)		
Mathematics	=	> Divisibility (6)		
Geometry	=	> Common Fractions (11)		
Ausic	=	> Decimal Fractions (11)		
Art	=	> Powers of Numbers (4)		
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		> Squaring (13)		
		> Square Root (11)		
		> Cubing (8)		
		> Cube Root (6)		
		> Non-decimal Bases (4)		
		> Signed Numbers (7)		
		> Introduction to Algebra (9)		
		> Ratio (5)		
		> Proportion (4)		

#### Lesson planning and Observation Tools

- Each level using a common lesson planning document for the week of lessons.
- A common observation tool is being used to collect data specific to lesson planning

#### Lesson planning and Observation Tools

Lesson Planning Inquiry - Elementary

Record your observations about students. Use the information collected to aid in lesson planning and to support the emergence and development of Big Work.

	Date complete	gun:	Date be			Classroom:	
Skill-level	Cosmic Connection	Strength- based	Skills to grow	Interest-driven	Observation		
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#### System of Justness by Public Montessori in Action

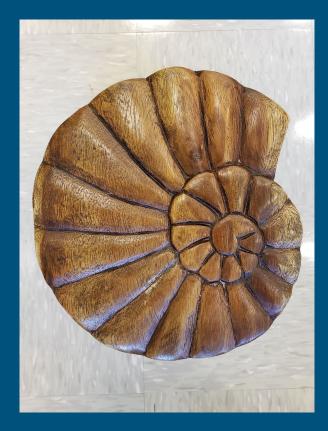
- 1. How we respond to our students in need
- 2. Expectations and responses
- 3. Predictability
- 4. Data Collection

#### System of Justness by Public Montessori in Action

- 1. Strong Montessori Implementation
- 2. Nautilus Approach
- 3. Child Study

#### Nautilus Approach





#### Nautilus Training

- 1. Proactive and predictable adult responses
- 2. Consistent language and phases to support students being in classrooms
- Supports from other staff to create opportunities for repair and seamless reentry into classroom.

#### Updates on Charter Renewal

- We are no longer seeking renewal this year!
- We will submit a renewal petition in July or August of 2023

## **Enrollment Updates**

#### Enrollment 21/22

• Enrollment is complicated again this year!

• TK-K enrollment is low

• Total numbers are unclear and not yet stabilized with MANY independent studies in progress and uncertainty in the pandemic landscape

## Staffing Updates

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• We are fully staffed in our instructional positions!

• Currently interviewing for an Assistant Site Coordinator (our last open position)

## Questions?