

YOUR CHILD'S DAY

There are 2 classrooms downstairs. Studio 1 is used for Creative Movement. Studio III is the Art, Music, and Montessori classroom. This is where the students begin their day.

Creative movement classes work on basic motor and dance skills, as well as on problem solving using movement in space through time. Props can include rhythm instruments, puppets, scarves, and beanbags.

The Art, Music, Montessori classroom offers a variety of different activities. There is a book corner, shelf work, imaginative play area, pre-writing table, game table, construction table and a blue carpet area with materials such as Brio train, Playmobil 1-2-3 buildings and figures, and blocks to share. The children usually participate in art projects on Monday and Tuesday. Wednesday and Thursday are for practical life experiences. The hour of activities concludes with our music circle.

During the course of the year, we work on thematic units that usually last about 3 weeks. In the Art, Music, and Montessori room, the items in the green circle, imaginative play area, books, puzzles, shelf work, art and music vary with each unit. These themes are also incorporated into the activities in the Creative Movement room.

The teacher/child ratio varies from room to room. There is one teacher and one aide in the Creative Movement classroom. One teacher and one aide are always present in the Art, Music, and Montessori room.

Children 3 ½ (by September 1st) and older are eligible to participate in our Friday STEAM class that is held in our large open upstairs classroom.

Children 4-5 enrolled in Academy A.R.T.S. spend time in a multi-age space with their younger classmates, sharing art, free play and Montessori activities. 4-5 year-olds also spend time in a space just for them, which adds creative arts & crafts, cultural awareness, children's literature, and science.