



MONTESSORI SCHOOL  
*of* COLUMBIA



**ANNUAL REPORT OF GIVING**

2022-2023

2021-2022

2020-2021



The Montessori method of education, developed by Dr. Maria Montessori, is a child-centered educational approach based on scientific observations of children. Dr. Montessori's method has been successfully time-tested for over 100 years in cultures throughout the world.







## Dear MSC Community,

While reflecting on the 2020-2021 school year, I was reminded of the extraordinary circumstances we navigated and hurdles we overcame during that time. We united as a community to build a safe place for learning, to support one another through challenges and fear, and to offer our children an environment of acceptance and trust. We collectively bolstered our resiliency, resourcefulness, and appreciation of community. After closing our doors in April of 2020 due to the pandemic, we reopened them in August and have been thriving since.

The years following looked much different than past years, with limited school events, cohorted classrooms, masked faces, and virtual meetings (*so many* virtual meetings). Our creativity heightened as we offered Zoom orientations, parent conferences, and school tours. We greatly missed our sense of normalcy, but we prioritized our community's health and well-being. Through this, MSC kept our focus on offering an authentic Montessori education to our students and refining our programs. We built a state-of-the-art Learning Lab, thanks to generous donors, set our sights on dual accreditation, and got to work!

In September of 2022, we welcomed Michael Thompson, clinical psychologist and school consultant, to our campus to work with our parents and staff. Finally, in the Fall of 2022, we were able to reinstate many activities that had been placed on hiatus during the pandemic. We resumed student field trips, our "Going Out" curriculum, and school community events. In October, we welcomed the American Montessori Society (AMS) and Southern Association of Independent Schools (SAIS) accreditation teams to MSC, and in February 2023, MSC was officially dual-accredited. This was a tremendous accomplishment. We are so proud to be the only dual-accredited independent school in South Carolina!

I am honored to be a part of this community, to have been a part of it for the past thirteen years, and to have witnessed the collaboration and growth in that time. With your support, we have built a thriving and authentic Montessori school with a strong foundation. I am excited to see what the future holds for MSC. Thank you for your generosity and for choosing to be a part of the Montessori School of Columbia.

In Gratitude,

*Leslie Greene*

Leslie Greene



## LETTER FROM CURRENT AND PAST BOARD CHAIRS

Dear Montessori School of Columbia Community,

As we reflect on the past three academic years, we are filled with immense pride and gratitude for what our community has achieved. The journey from 2020 to 2023 has been marked by unforeseen challenges, and it has been a period of remarkable resilience and growth for our school.

The Montessori philosophy teaches us to adapt and thrive in an ever-changing environment. This has never been more evident than during the global pandemic, where our teachers and staff showed extraordinary flexibility in delivering an authentic Montessori experience, whether in-person or through a screen.

We've made significant strides in enhancing our campus and expanding our programs. From the completion of our Learning Lab, one of South Carolina's first Net Zero Energy buildings, to becoming the only dual-accredited Montessori program in South Carolina, we continue to invest in facilities and initiatives that enrich our students' educational experience.

None of these accomplishments would have been possible without the unwavering support of our community. Your generous contributions to our Annual Fund, Montessori Mile, and Spring Auction have been instrumental in realizing our vision for the school.

As we move forward, we remain committed to strengthening the foundation of our school: an authentic Montessori experience where children thrive. We are excited about the possibilities that lie ahead and are deeply committed to ensuring that MSC remains a beacon of Montessori education.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to every teacher, staff member, parent, and student who has contributed to our school's success. Your dedication and support fuel our collective journey towards excellence in Montessori education.

Thank you for everything,

*Bryan Boroughs*

Bryan Boroughs  
Chair, Board of Trustees  
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*Lane Meyer*

Lane Meyer  
Past Chair, Board of Trustees  
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## The Board of Trustees

As a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, the Montessori School of Columbia is governed by a Board of Trustees. This group has a legal and fiduciary responsibility for the school as a whole and plays a pivotal role in securing its future. The members bring a diversity of talent and broad practical and professional experience to the work of assuring the school's stability and development.



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## Annual Fund Committee

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Joseph Wills

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## Development Events 2020-2021

In 2020, during the COVID-19 pandemic, MSC held a virtual Montessori Mile where students collected pledges, walked a mile in their local communities, and shared pictures and posts about their walks to bring us together as a community.

No auction fundraiser was held in 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

## Development Events 2021-2022

In November 2021, as the COVID pandemic continued, MSC hosted a socially distanced Montessori Mile and Fall Festival on campus. Students collected pledges, walked a mile and enjoyed being together as a community.

No auction fundraiser was held in 2022 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

### Auction Committee Chairs 22-23

#### MARDI GRAS NIGHT AUCTION

**Auction Co-Chair:** Katie Georgiades

**Auction Co-Chair:** Laura Moye

**Acquisition Chair:** Bridgett Shealey

**Decorations Chair:** *None*

**Sponsorship Chair:** *None*

**Class Project Chair:** Lane Meyer

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Michael Thigpen

### Montessori Mile Chairs 2022-2023

**Chair:** Joanna Derrick

## Thank you!

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### Events and Development

Over the last three years, MSC held a variety of fundraising and social events, including our annual Montessori Mile walkathon, Annual Auction, Grandparents and Special Friends Day, and Book Fair. We are grateful for the time, energy and commitment of the many volunteers who ensure the success of these events, especially while coping with the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic.

# FINANCIAL REPORT 2020 - 2023

## 2020 - 2021 Fiscal Year Financial Results

<b>INCOME</b>	<b>%</b>
Tuition and Fees	59
Development	34
Summer Camp	4
Aftercare	3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100%</b>

<b>EXPENSES</b>	<b>%</b>
Payroll	67
Equipment and Supplies	10
Building and Grounds	6
Insurance	5
Contractual Services	4
Utilities	3
Professional Development	3
Mortgage	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100%</b>

## 2021 - 2022 Fiscal Year Financial Results

<b>INCOME</b>	<b>%</b>
Tuition and Fees	66
Development	24
Aftercare	6
Summer Camp	4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100%</b>

<b>EXPENSES</b>	<b>%</b>
Payroll	68
Equipment and Supplies	13
Contractual Services	5
Insurance	4
Professional Development	4
Utilities	3
Building and Grounds	2
Mortgage	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100%</b>

## 2022 - 2023 Fiscal Year Financial Results

<b>INCOME</b>	<b>%</b>
Tuition and Fees	75
Development	10
Aftercare	10
Summer Camp	5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100%</b>

<b>EXPENSES</b>	<b>%</b>
Payroll	65
Equipment and Supplies	11
Contractual Services	7
Building and Grounds	5
Insurance	4
Professional Development	4
Utilities	3
Mortgage	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100%</b>



# INCOME

# EXPENSES

Tuition & Fees



Payroll



Development



Equipment & Supplies



Aftercare



Contractual Services



Building & Grounds



Insurance



Summer Camp



Professional Development



Utilities



Mortgage



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## STAFF 2022-2023

Karen Kuse, *Head of School*  
 Leslie Greene, *Assistant Head of School (July - December 2022)*  
 Brittney Green, *Chief Financial Officer (April 2023 - )*  
 Becky Carter, *Director of Development (August 2022 - April 2023)*  
 Joanna Derrick, *Director of Development (June 2022 - December 2022)*  
 Rebecca Jacobson, *Director of Development (April - May 2023)*  
 Virginia Postic, *Administrative Assistant and Photographer*  
 Bridgett Shealey, *Administrative Assistant (October 2022- June 2023)*  
 Erin Knox-Boyd, *Upper Elementary Teacher*  
 Stuart Stoner, *Upper Elementary Teacher*  
 Jessica Gibbons, *Upper Elementary Asst. Teacher (July 2022 - March 2023)*  
 Misty Dickson, *Lower Elementary Magnolia Teacher*  
 Sidney Little, *Lower Elementary Magnolia Teacher*  
 Kathy Young, *Lower Elementary Palmetto Teacher*  
 Michael Thigpen, *Lower Elementary Palmetto Teacher*  
 Sunshine Gallahar, *Primary One Lead Teacher*  
 Garett Fryar Hedlund, *Primary One Asst. Teacher (July 2022 - January 2023)*  
 Odile Postic, *Primary One Assistant Teacher (January - May 2023)*  
 Angela Carter, *Primary Two Lead Teacher (July 2022 - December 2022)*  
 Leslie Greene, *Primary Two Lead Teacher (January - May 2023)*  
 Janeta Radieva, *Primary Two Assistant Teacher*  
 Corey Jungclaus, *Primary Three Lead Teacher*  
 Sarah McCants, *Primary Three Assistant Teacher*  
 Vera Kirkwood, *Extended Day Teacher*  
 Jennifer Roche, *Music Instructor (August 2022 - April 2023)*  
 Jessica Smith, *Art Teacher*  
 Catherine Wiskes, *Upper Elementary Spanish Teacher*  
 Nitzia Pinacho-Gutierrez, *Primary & Lower Elementary Spanish Teacher*  
 Elliot Chadwell, *Physical Education Teacher*



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## OUR MISSION STATEMENT

The Montessori School of Columbia offers an authentic Montessori education that challenges students academically and fosters each child's social, emotional, and intellectual growth in order to prepare them to serve as responsible citizens of the greater community.

## MSC NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY

At MSC, we strive to cultivate an inclusive environment that is open, welcoming, and supportive of all individuals. We recognize diversity at our school is essential to providing academic excellence and critical to our sustainability. The Montessori School of Columbia is committed to eliminating barriers created by institutional discrimination through accountability and continuous improvement. The school does not discriminate on the basis of race, gender, sexual orientation, creed, disability, national origin, ethnicity, age or any other basis protected by federal or state law. We celebrate the diverse voices, perspectives, and experiences of our community, employees, and families.

This report is accurate to the best of our knowledge. Contact the MSC office with any questions. Printed June 30, 2024.