



Week 3 - August 27, 2026

# Thursday News

PROVIDENCE MONTESSORI SCHOOL - TEXACO ROAD CAMPUS



## Observing the Birth Date of Dr. Maria Montessori

*August 31, 1870 in Chiaravalle, Italy*

The Montessori educational philosophy is based on the extensive research and observations of Dr. Maria Montessori. Her tried and true method has allowed children worldwide to achieve their fullest potential, and has been found to be effective with students regardless of their race, religion, geographic location or socioeconomic class. The method is rooted in a child's natural desire to learn and explore by **DOING** rather than by having information conveyed by a teacher through lecture. The impact of her work is felt around the globe through the thousands of students who attend schools bearing her name, and we are proud to carry on Maria's legacy at Providence by offering students an authentic Montessori experience.

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# IMPORTANT REMINDERS

## Evacuation Plan

### FYI - IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY

In the unlikely event of a full property evacuation, our staff would follow our evacuation plan, which is reviewed annually. All children and staff would exit through the back gate and relocate to the Catholic Diocese at 1310 West Main Street, directly behind our property. Once everyone is safe and accounted for, we would begin notifying parents via the Providence Montessori App and text.

## Upcoming Dates

### **Monday, September 7**

No School: Labor Day

### **Thursday, September 10 @ 5:30PM**

General Parent Meeting in the FAAB  
(Gym)

### **Wednesday, September 16**

Individual Picture Day

### **Friday, September 18**

Observance of International Day of Peace

*(ceremony held during the school day for students and staff)*

### **Sunday, September 20**

Founders' Day from 3:30 - 6:00PM

## Blood Drive

### **Wednesday, November 11**

Fall Blood Drive - Catholic Diocese  
Parking Lot



**American  
Red Cross**

Providence's Blood Drive returns this fall! This tradition honors Shelley's late father-in-law and the meaningful impact it's had on our community - to date, Providence has collected 90 units of blood! Help us reach our next milestone.

**[Sign up here to donate blood](#)**

## Individual Photos

### **Wednesday, September 16**

Please mark your calendar for our individual school photos. Following picture day, parents will receive details on how to order photos directly from the photographer.

# CHECK OUT OUR NEWEST BLOG

## “THE IMPORTANCE OF STARTING MONTESSORI AS A TODDLER”



From plating their own food to helping with laundry, cooking, and dressing themselves - see why the toddler years are such a powerful window for building independence.

# FALL

## After School Class Offerings

Spots fill up fast and are offered on a first-come, first serve basis. Sign up now!



### Art Classes

\$250 per class

#### Clay Class

For: Kindergarten - 6<sup>th</sup> grade student

Teacher: Sue Martin and Evan Martin

Location: Art Room

Day/Time: **Mondays from 3:30 - 4:30 PM**

Sessions: September 14, 21, 28, October 5, 12, 19, 26, November 2, 9

Description: Ceramic pieces are objects made from clay and hardened by fire. Special methods will be taught to shape clay, including pinching, coiling, and slab building. We will use these methods to create functional and sculptural projects.

#### Pastel Class

For: 1st - 6th grade students

Teacher: Sue Martin

Location: Art Room

Day/Time: **Tuesdays from 3:00 - 4:00 PM**

Session: September 15, 22, 29, October 6, 13, 20, 27, November 3, 10

Description: This class will focus on strengthening drawing skills. The main project will be an animal pastel portrait on velour paper. Students will need a good photo of their pet or favorite fur animal sent to my email: sue.martin@provmont.org

#### Machine Sewing

For: 1st - 6th grade students

Teacher: Sue Martin

Location: Art Room

Day/Time: **Wednesdays from 3:00 - 4:00 PM**

Session: September 16, 23, 30, October 14, 21, 28, November 11, 18, December 9

Description: Students will learn the sewing parts and how to thread and use the machine. Beginning students will make a 9-patch quilt pattern and sew a bag, pillow, or hot pad from that quilt block. Advanced students can sew a monkey wrench or log cabin quilt patterns, an apron, or an approved project of their choice. Bring a yard or two of your fabric, or choose from Ms. Martin's extensive collection.

#### Papier-Mache Animal Sculpture Class

For: 1st - 6th grade students

Teacher: Sue Martin and Evan Martin

Location: Art Room

Day/Time: **Thursdays from 3:30 - 4:30 PM**

Session: September 17, 24, October 8, 15, 22, 29, November 5, 12, 19.

Description: Papier-mache is the French word for "chewed-up paper," a technique for creating three-dimensional objects, such as sculptures, from pulped paper, water, and glue. It is a strong, versatile molding material that allows you to create unique and imaginative sculptures. Students will create an animal sculpture no larger than 15 x 15 x 15 inches. We will begin using recycled materials, crumpled paper, masking tape, and strapping tape to form an armature for our sculpture. Next, we will apply the papier-mache pulp layer by layer, allowing it to dry between layers. We will then paint our sculptures with acrylic paint.

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### Music Classes

#### Percussion Class (Kindergarten)

For: Kindergarten students ONLY

Teacher: Myel Byrd

Location: Music Room

Day/Time: **Tuesdays from 4:00 - 4:30 PM**

Session: September 15, 22, 29, October 6, 13, 20, 27, November 3, 10

Description: This class will be exploring drumming and rhythm through bucket drumming, cardio drumming, and African drumming, and other percussion instruments.

#### Percussion Class (Lower Elementary)

For: Lower Elementary students ONLY

Teacher: Myel Byrd

Location: Music Room

Day/Time: **Tuesdays from 3:30 - 4:00 PM**

Session: September 15, 22, 29, October 6, 13, 20, 27, November 3, 10

Description: This class will be exploring drumming and rhythm through bucket drumming, cardio drumming, and African drumming, and other percussion instruments.

#### Percussion Class (Upper Elementary)

For: Upper Elementary students ONLY

Teacher: Myel Byrd

Location: Music Room

Day/Time: **Tuesdays from 3:00 - 3:30 PM**

Session: September 15, 22, 29, October 6, 13, 20, 27, November 3, 10

Description: This class will be exploring drumming and rhythm through bucket drumming, cardio drumming, and African drumming, and other percussion instruments.

#### Providence Sings! (Lower and Upper Elementary)

For: Lower and Upper Elementary students ONLY

Teacher: Myel Byrd

Location: Music Room

Day/Time: **Mondays from 3:00 - 3:40 PM**

Session: September 14, 21, 28, October 5, 12, 19, 26, November 2, 9

Description: Providence Sings! is an opportunity for students to sing in a choral ensemble. The class will focus on using their best singing voice and developing fundamental musicianship skills such as sight-reading, solfege, aural training, pitch matching, following a conductor, and two-part singing. The fall session will culminate in a winter performance (details to be announced later in the semester).

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### More Class Offerings

#### Yearbook Club (Upper Elementary.)

\$300

**\*\*This class is for the entire school year!**

**Fall and Spring\*\***

For: Upper Elementary students ONLY

Teacher: Gretta Cozzi and Leslie Martin

Location: Classroom VIII

Day/Time: **Wednesdays, excluding the first Wednesday of the month. 3:00 - 4:00 PM**

**9-16 - 4/21**

Description:

- Taking pictures at various school events and capturing daily routines and work/play
- Using digital formatting programs to design yearbooks
- Managing the layout and content of the yearbook
- Marketing the final products to students
- Class is open to UE students only and will be capped at 12

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Registration is OPEN  
Classes begin September 3rd!

\$90/month

Scholarships available

Click [HERE](#) for more  
enrollment information

# ANNUAL FOUNDERS' DAY

**Please join us for a fun-filled  
afternoon along with other  
Providence parents, your child(ren)'s  
classmates, and our teachers and  
staff!**



## **Join us for...**

*Take-A-Chance  
Baskets  
Cake Walks  
Inflatables  
Face Painting  
Temporary-Tattoos  
Food Trucks  
Photoshoot Area  
Dunking Booth  
Corn hole  
Bubbles  
And more!*



The Founders' Day Bash began in 2006 with the dedication of our Founders' Arts and Activities Building and has grown into one of our most beloved traditions. With its carnival-style games, prizes, delicious food, and themed classroom raffle baskets, the event is full of fun for students and families alike.

While the Bash includes some fundraising, its true purpose is to bring our community together. It's a chance for students to relax and mingle with classmates outside the classroom, and for families—especially those new to Providence—to connect and feel part of the school community. This joyful gathering is the first big family celebration of the year, setting the tone for a year of learning, friendship, and fun.



**Sunday September 20**



**3:30 - 6:00 PM**



**1209 Texaco Rd  
Campus Grounds**



Be on the lookout for communications from homeroom parents regarding "Take-A-Chance" basket themes and volunteer sign ups