



Promoting Montessori Education in Oregon and Southwest Washington

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We'd Love to Have You Join!

Join Oregon Montessori Association and become part of a regional network of Montessorians who are working to promote Montessori education in Oregon, Southwest Washington...and beyond.

OMA School Member Benefits

- Being part of a vibrant and growing Montessori community
- Increasing your community presence through our OMA website, advertising and outreach activities
- Having a listing on our "Find A School" page that is receiving nearly 1,000 hits per month. Visit www.oregonmontessori.org/schools to view.
- *Automatic membership for **all** school staff members*
- Access for your school community to our soon to be released on-line Parent Resource Center
- Discount on OMA workshops
- Access to OMA Media Library
- Free classified ads on the OMA website and in our monthly news bulletin
- Access to the local Montessori community through our newsletter, website, and on-line discussion group
- Monthly OMA News Bulletin via e-mail
- Monthly Forza Vitale! article via e-mail
- OMA Directory
- OMA representation on regulatory and legislative issues affecting our schools.
- Social events as our Annual Spring Tea and Pub Nights

What Does Membership Cost?

Beginning this year OMA has a new fee structure. Our school membership fee for the 2010/2011 school year is based on \$8.00 per year per student. All school staff will have membership status, rather than having to pay for individual memberships!

For example a one-classroom school who paid an individual membership for a teacher last year and also contributed to our ad campaign would have paid \$60 + \$40 + \$37 or \$137 in 2009/10.

With this new plan the 20 student school would pay \$160 for the 2010/11 school year.

Under this new fee plan many of our schools pay what they have in the past for school membership, individual memberships, and ad donations. Some will pay a larger amount.

An added bonus of this plan: OMA membership and all individual membership benefits extend to **all staff members** at your school. Also, signing up your staff will be as simple as emailing a list of names and email addresses. These members will then receive all the OMA communications of interest to our community.

The benefits accrued with this increased fee structure should be worthwhile to each school as well as to our overall OMA community. We plan to continue our June and January ads in the Metro Parent and are looking for ways to promote Montessori throughout Oregon and Washington. OMA provides many other services for the Montessori community, including some new ones. (See benefits list above.)

Individual memberships for those not affiliated with a school will remain at \$40. Our half-day workshop fees will remain at \$35 for members, but will increase to \$100 for non-members to reflect a true market price. Families at your school will also enjoy member prices on our workshops.

Calculating your yearly dues is very simple. Multiply the number of students you expect to have enrolled this coming year by \$8. Payment may be made in full by August 1, or you may elect to have two equal payments on August 1, 2010 and January 1, 2011.

Joining is Easy and 1, 2, 3!

1. Use the enclosed form and self-addressed stamped envelope.
2. Fill out the form. Write a check and mail to OMA.
3. E-mail the names and e-mail addresses of your staff members. We'll contact your staff members to get the rest of their information.

Questions? Please call or e-mail us.

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OMA 2010-2011 School Membership Form

School Name: _____

School Mailing Address: _____

School Physical Address (if different than mailing address):

School Email Address: _____

Name of Head of School: _____

School Website Address: _____

School Phone Number: _____

Yearly fee calculation:

No. of Students (expected): _____ x \$8.00 = _____

Payment Options:

/ / One payment on August 1, 2010

/ / Two payments: August 1, 2010 and January 1, 2011

Mail to: OMA P.O. Box 82932 Portland, OR 97282

Please email names and e-mail addresses of staff members to
officers@oregonmontessori.org.

Thank you for your support of OMA.