



## ADMISSIONS APPLICATION FOR 2011-2012

### Student Information:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birth date \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ M / F  
Current Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Current School \_\_\_\_\_ Applying for Grade \_\_\_\_\_

### Parent/Guardian Information:

Name of Primary Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Secondary Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Has the student previously attended a Montessori school? \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Montessori school (include city) \_\_\_\_\_

\*NOTE: Prior Montessori experience does not affect the random selection process. We ask these questions to help us gauge the composition of the applicants. Your answer is voluntary.

Are there any siblings who are also interested in attending? Please list their names and current grades. Each child will require a different application form.

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I certify that I have read the webpage, "Montessori Philosophy" (also available as a download) and I feel that Sherwood Montessori would be the best fit for my child's education \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that the information listed above is current and accurate. I understand it is my responsibility to notify the school office in the event of any changes such as acceptance into another school. I understand that I must provide verification of birth date prior to admission in the school.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Please see the reverse side for the admissions policy of Sherwood Montessori

## ADMISSIONS POLICY

Sherwood Montessori offers an education based on the Montessori philosophy to any K-8 child who wishes to be educated in this manner without fear of discrimination or financial difficulty. The Montessori method was originally developed around fostering students of all abilities to achieve high academic goals. For over one hundred years, schools around the world employing this method have shown great success with a diverse student population.

To fulfill the school's mission, Sherwood Montessori will be non-sectarian in its programs, admission policies, employment practices, and all other operations. The school shall not charge tuition, and shall not discriminate on the basis of race, ethnicity, gender, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, home language, ability, or disability. Admission shall be open to any resident of the State of California, though there is a preference for students residing within the boundaries of Chico Unified School District. No test or assessment shall be administered to students prior to acceptance and enrollment into the school. It will be expected that students wishing to attend Sherwood Montessori will be amenable to the use of the Montessori philosophy in the teaching of the curriculum.

### Age Policy

In order to be eligible for Kindergarten in 2011, a child must be five-years old on or before December 2, 2011. The December 2 date will be used for determining subsequent grade levels for admission purposes. However, exceptions to this rule in later grades may be made on a case-by-case basis to be decided among consultation between the Lead Teacher, Director, and parent.

### Admissions Process

1. Each child requires a separate Admissions Application. These forms can either be completed online or mailed or delivered to **Sherwood Montessori, 746 Moss Avenue, Chico, CA 95926**. All forms of submission are considered equal. Upon acceptance, verification of residence and date of birth are required (driver's license, lease or mortgage statement, utility bill, or bank statement for Residency; an original birth certificate, passport, or armed forces dependent's card for Date of Birth) for the application to be considered complete.
2. The completed forms must be received prior to published date of the public drawing (to be announced). The forms will be sorted by projected class and randomly shuffled. Should the number of applicants exceed the projected amount of openings in each class, a public drawing will be held on a date to coincide with the drawing for the Chico Unified School District. Parents will be notified by the next day if their child has been accepted for enrollment or placed on a waiting list. Parents do not need to be in attendance at the public drawing.
3. If enrollment is offered, the parent/guardian must accept or decline within three (3) business days of notification. If enrollment is accepted, the parent/guardian will receive additional paperwork to complete.
4. If enrollment is offered to someone on the waiting list, the parent/guardian must accept or decline within three (3) business days of notification.
  - The waiting list will not carry over to the following school year.
  - Children of the Founding Board of Directors will be exempt from the public random drawing as long as those children do not exceed ten percent of all admissions in any one year, as required by federal law.
  - Siblings of enrolled students will be given priority as per accepted public school policy and federal law.
5. Following the initial draw, admissions will be on a first-come, first-served basis.