

Community 24 2023- 24 Welcome!

Hello New and Returning Families!

I hope you've enjoyed a wonderful summer and are looking forward to a new school year. Ms. Pam and I extend our warmest welcome to returning families and are excited to get to know our new community members!

I am Cynthia Stone and I've been a LE lead teacher in CMS for 19 years as well as a traditional teacher years ago right out of college. I am a Charlotte native but have had opportunities to live in other parts of the country as well as another career doing process engineering and Human Resources work before Montessori found me. Pam Hamric is our classroom TA. She is a retired traditional teacher with 33 years of experience in VA and NC elementary and middle schools. She has been a part of Community 24 for 2 years and we are so fortunate to have her as part of our classroom.

I have deep faith in Montessori as I'm sure you do or you would not have selected this educational model for your child. Self motivation, independence, focus and discipline are critical elements to ensure academic success and appreciate the interesting materials and lessons available. To increase your appreciation and understanding of Montessori, I encourage you to read Montessori Today, a book by Paula Polk Lillard.

Please see the attached supply list for the coming school year. If possible, please bring the supplies to Open House. In our community, we share community supplies as well as community snack. A newsletter will be sent to you after Open House and before the first day of school outlining specific procedures (animal care, snack, birthdays, etc).

My email address is cynthia.stone@cms.k12.nc.us. Feel free to contact me with any questions you may have, but as a warning, if you are not in my contacts list, your email will be forwarded to the spam folder. I look forward to greeting you personally at Open House!

Community 24 Supply List 2023-24

In our community, students are expected to completely use their composition books before replacing. Returning students will not need to buy new composition books at this time. Your student will let you know during the school year when a new book is needed. I am providing quad ruled math books, color coded reading club composition books and primary composition books as needed. Storage is a challenge, I am asking for only start up items. During the school year, community support is needed to replenish items such as paper towels and tissues. Thank you!

All Students

- 2 sketchbooks - one will be used for Geometry and one for cultural drawings. (Found on Amazon: UCreate Poly Cover Sketch Book, Heavyweight, 6" x 9", Black, 75 Sheets)
- 1 24 pack Dixon Ticonderoga #2 pencils
- 1 100 sheet package of wide-ruled loose leaf notebook paper

1st Years and New Students

- 5 marble black wide ruled composition books (Found on Amazon: Emraw Marble Composition Notebook Wide Ruled Black and White Composition Books 100 Sheets). Please do not label!
- 2 rolls paper towels
- 2 boxes of tissues
- 6.5 mm crochet hook

2nd Years

- 1 bottle liquid hand soap
- 1 large size Dawn liquid dish detergent
- 1 container of cleaning wipes

3rd Years

- 1.5 inch soft side 3-ring binder
- 1 large size box of gallon sized ziploc bags
- 1 large size box of quart sized ziploc bag