



*School Profile
2011-2012*

General Information

Established in 1995
AMI accredited school
School Coordinator – Mrs. Annmarie Giever
Director of Education – Mrs. Cara Friedline

- K-5 State Teaching Degree
- AMI and AMS Primary Certification
- 22 years of teaching experience → 18 in Montessori Education

Grade Levels

- Toddler through Upper Elementary
- 1 Toddler class, 3 Primary classes, 1 Lower Elementary class, 1 Upper Elementary class

School Hours

- 7:30 A.M. – 6:00 P.M. (Before and After School contracts)
- 8:30 A.M. – 3:00 P.M. (Toddler – Elementary Full Day contracts)
- 8:45 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. (Toddler – Primary Half Day contracts)

Student Body

Enrollment

- 125 Students
- 94 Families

Community Diversity

Over 14 different native languages spoken among our VMS families

Draws from Cherokee, Cobb, and Fulton Counties

Academics

Standardized Testing

- Iowa Test of Basic Skills administered in 3rd, 5th, and 6th
- ITBS scores in the top

Class Sizes

- Toddler 12:2
- Primary 25:2
- Lower Elementary 24:3
- Upper Elementary 18:2

Faculty & Staff

- 50% of teaching faculty hold teaching certificates (All Leads have certification)
- 25 % hold a Masters degree or higher
- Average years of teaching experience: 10.2
- Years of teaching experience range: 1 - 28
- Average length of service at VMS: 7.3
- Average years of Montessori experience: 7.7

Specials & Enrichment

- Art/Music/Spanish (Elementary levels)
- Curriculum-Based Field Trips (Primary – Elementary)
- Going-outs (Upper Elementary)

Resources

- Parent library
- Parent Education Classes
- Silent Journey

Parent Involvement

Average parent participation

Volunteer hours logged

Volunteer Opportunities

- Parent Association
- School Improvement Team
- Classroom Level → gardening, field trips, going-outs

Accreditations & Professional Affiliations

AMI (Association Montessori International)

NAMTA (North American Montessori Teachers Association)