

# Kindergarten at Fountainhead

The Kindergarten year at Fountainhead Montessori is a great opportunity to cohere the skills attained during the preschool years. It offers parents one more year of private, targeted curriculum before their child begins first grade.

Why would I have my child attend private Kindergarten when public school is free?

- Low ratio teacher/child ratio of 1:12
- Comfort level in the environment, teachers, routine, and expectations.
- Solidify skills using the Montessori Method. The Montessori Method and materials emphasize individual learning and instruction.
- Reinforces understanding of material rather than rote memorization.
- Allows for both academic success and self-confidence. The Mathematics and Language materials in particular help build a strong academic foundation.
- A Montessori Kindergarten program extends the learning process initiated in Preschool.
- Drives interest and readiness for advanced works.
- Curriculum is varied and comprehensive.
- Fountainhead's schedule allows for half-day or full-day class time.
- Children who miss the public school Kindergarten cut off, are able to participate in our program and potentially go directly into first grade.

## Specifics to be worked on:

### Language

Reading Sight words Diagraphs Reading for comprehension Forming letters Writing on lines Writing sentences Punctuation Creative writing

### Mathematics

One to one hundred Decimal system Reading numbers Writing numbers Addition Subtraction Skip counting Multiplication Squaring and cubing Number words

## Critical thinking and problem solving

### Geography

Continents Land and water forms

### Sciences

Zoology Botany

### Art

Project progression; step one to completion

For more information please feel free to contact us at our administrative office at 925-820-1343 or info@fms.org. For details refer to our website at http://www.fms.org, and click on the Parent Resources tab.

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