

Three Rivers Montessori News

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THREE RIVERS MONTESSORI CONTACTS AND IMPORTANT DATES!

For Attendance/Transportation Matters:

attendance@threeriversmontessori.org

Meal Questions/Issues:

lunch@threeriversmontessori.org

Before and After Care:

beforeandaftercare@threeriversmontessori.org

All Other Questions:

admin@threeriversmontessori.org

Volunteering:

volunteers@threeriversmontessori.org

TRM Phone#: 763-595-1213

Parent Committee Meeting:

December 14, 6pm

Online Lunch Orders Due:

December 16

Regular School Board Meeting:

December 21, 7pm

No School

December 23 - December 31

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A Moment with the School Leader



Jonna Duke

Hello TRM Families.

I would like to thank you all for your support, encouragement and kindness as I stepped into the role of School Leader. It has been a high paced and interactive shift as we continue to grow our school into the vision we have for it.

We are still wrapping up some construction items, installation of our playground and growing the Montessori culture into our classrooms. I am getting to know all of your wonderful children as I support the functionality of our school. The enthusiastic Hellos, letters, art and hugs they give are a big part of the joy I gain each day.

I know many families are experiencing illness. I want to express my sympathies as we all navigate the protocols we take to limit the spread of illnesses. I understand the strain that can place on families and I want to thank you for your efforts.

Lastly I want to thank you for supporting your student's day. Our students are arriving on time and prepared to learn. The effort you place into creating a culture where they can succeed is invaluable.

I am looking forward to seeing the experiences of winter unfold for our students. I imagine we will have many different snow creatures created in improved playground area this season.

Working together,
Jonna Duke

jonna.duke@threeriversmontessori.org

"Anyone who does anything to help a child in his life is a hero."

- Fred Rogers

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PIZZA RANCH FUNDRAISER

GREAT SUCCESS!



The first TRM Pizza Ranch Fundraiser was a huge success. Not just in financial gains for the school (over \$900), but also in FUN! We were able to fill almost the entire building with TRM families. For over three hours we dined, talked, played and supported our school. Looking forward to the next event.

HEGGIES PIZZA FUNDRAISER

January 2022, we will have our first Heggies Pizza fundraiser. You will be able to order the Minnesota famous Heggies frozen pizzas from TRM. Your order will be ready in time for the Super Bowl! Be on the look out for more information coming home soon. Feel free to share this opportunity with family and friends.

PLAYGROUND UPDATE

Shipment Delays! After waiting and waiting our equipment has finally arrived and is ready to install. Our students should be able to be on our new playground by mid December. Here is an image of the equipment placement to help you visualize the new installment!



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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

We are looking for a volunteer or two to help us move a large sign. The sign is a large wooden structure on the east side of the front building.

If you have a trailer to haul it to Ramsey. Or if you are able to use your muscle power to help us load and unload it. We want to hear from you.

Email Volunteers@threeriversmontessori.org



TRM SCHOOL BOARD & SUBCOMMITTEES

The TRM school board is currently an interim board. Board Elections will be held in the spring of the year 2022. At this time we are looking for board members and subcommittee members of different skill levels to help the school facilitate its goals of being financially fiscal and an authentic Montessori school with an environmental focus.

The TRM school board uses subcommittees to facilitate the work that board must accomplish. If you have a desire to take action we need you! You do not need to join the school board to be on a subcommittee. Simple join the subcommittee for a onetime project or for an extended length of time.

For more information see the [TRM Board & Meeting Schedule](#) page.

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NEW! VIRTUAL SCHOOL CALENDAR

Add the new TRM School Calendar to your google calendar view. This is a public calendar to allow you to easily see important dates and planned non-school days.

Click on the TRM School Calendar link and follow the prompts to add the calendar to your google view.

[TRM School Calendar](#)

CONNECT ON FACEBOOK

Stay connected with other TRM parents on the [Parents of Three Rivers Montessori](#) Facebook group. This group was created to help other parents get in touch to discuss everything from meeting up at a local park to asking questions about happenings at the school.

TRM PARENT COMMITTEE

Join the TRM Parent Committee! This group's focus is on creating events, fundraisers and community across our school. We are always looking for parents who would like to help shape and lead future events.

If you are interested in volunteering your time, skills or resources, please connect with us in one or all of these options:

- Join the [TRM Parent Committee](#) Facebook group
- Email Volunteer@threeriversmontessori.org
- Attend the next virtual Parent Committee meeting on zoom, held the second Tuesday of every month.

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DROP OFF BEFORE 7:55 AM

Class starts promptly at 8:00 am. Help your student be successful by arriving as early as 7:40 am and no later than 7:55 am for school. Any student that arrives at school at 8:00 am or later must be signed in and will be marked as tardy.

Students that ride the school bus are considered in compliance with school start times and will not be marked tardy if they arrive past 8:00 am.

BUS TRANSFER SITES SAFETY

Once a student has boarded a school bus at TRM, they must complete the entire bus ride until their final destination. Parent pick up mid-route at the various transfer sites will not be allowed as there is no way for the bus staff to verify that the student is allowed to leave with that individual. If you miss picking them up from TRM, please plan to meet them at their final bus stop.

DROP OFF/PICK UP PROCEDURES

MORNING DROP OFF

CAR DROP OFF | 7:40-7:55 AM
BUS DROP OFF | 7:55-8:00 AM

AFTERNOON PICK UP

BUS PICK UP | 2:30-2:35 PM
CAR PICK UP | 2:40-2:55 PM

IMPORTANT FOR SAFETY! After 7:55am busses have priority in the drive alley.

IMPORTANT FOR SAFETY! Prior to 2:40 pm busses have priority in the drive alley.

Cars will NOT BE ALLOWED to use the drive alley during bus times.
If you are dropping off after 7:55 am, please walk your child to the main entrance door.
If it is after 8:00 am, please sign your child in.

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DONATIONS

There are several ways to donate to TRM.

Cash Donations are always accepted through our vendor [GiveMN.Org](https://www.givemn.org).

[Amazon Smile](#)

Designate Three Rivers Montessori as your charity and .5% of your eligible purchase amount will be donated to TRM.

Do you know of a donation organization TRM should enroll with?

Email jonna.duke@threeriversmontessori.org with your idea

HIRING AT TRM

TRM is hiring full time and part time staff in several positions from one to five days a week.

Our current needs are:

- Special Education Teacher
- Paraprofessional
- Building Float
- Before and After Care Aide

We also need substitutes for all positions:

- Substitutes for Support staff:
 - Teacher's Assistants
 - Paraprofessionals
 - Before & Aftercare Aide
 - Food Service Attendant
- Substitute for Lead Teacher
 - Anyone with a bachelor's degree can apply to be on the short-call list to substitute as a Lead Teacher.

THANK YOU FOR READING!

