Sunny Hollow Montessori
Open House Q & A

What is the format for the Open House?

We will start the evening with a short program starting at 6:15 p.m. for evening Open Houses and 10:15 a.m. for the daytime event. During the program, you will have the opportunity to hear from the Head of School regarding Montessori education and Sunny Hollow's approach. Staff and parents will also share perspectives on the school. The program lasts about 20 minutes. Classrooms will be open for an hour, followed by a question and answer session. The event lasts about 2 hours.

Should I bring my children?

The Open House is intended to provide information to adults making a school choice for their children. Our experience has been that adults attending without young children (under age 5) have a better experience and are able to get more of their questions answered than those attending with young children. Keep in mind that all children will be invited to visit the school after an application is made. At that time, the children will experience the classroom in a similar way to what he or she will experience if enrolled at Sunny Hollow.

We understand that it may be necessary to bring your child with you to the Open House. If you do decide to bring your child, please be aware that the classrooms have materials that may not be appropriate or safe for younger children and extra parent attention may be needed to support the child in the environment.

Should I attend an Open House and an observation?

The Open House is a time to ask questions and see the classroom materials up close. The Guides (teachers) and other staff are available to talk with you more about the classroom, the school and Montessori during an Open House.

The observation visits are a wonderful way to see the classroom, the materials and the Montessori approach to education in action. You will spend time in classrooms watching children work and interact during a typical day. These observations give you insight into what your child would be doing on a daily basis if enrolled at Sunny Hollow.

We recommend that all families attend an Open House and an observation if possible.