

SCHEDULE OF A DAY

YELLOWSTONE MONTESSORI

(8:30am -3:00pm is a full day)

TIME	ACTIVITY/LESSONS
7:45 - 8:20am	Early arrival time. Work begins as soon as a child enters the classroom.
8:30 - 11:30	Normal work period – Each child selects a work activity and/or is presented a lesson in one of four general areas—Sensorial, Practical Life, Mathematics and Language. Lessons are also available in art, geography, music, literature, manners and physical development. Biology and introduction to science are found in the Geography area. Grace and courtesy and food preparation and clean-up are part of Practical Life lessons.
8:45 -9:10 or 11:00 - 11:20	Circle Time - We do not have circle every day and the time may vary. At the beginning of the school year it will be at 8:45 am or 10:45am. Later in the year could be held at 8:45 am or at 11:00 am. Theme activities are introduced at Circle Time as well as songs and courtesy lessons. Birthdays are also celebrated during Circle Time.
9:15 – 11:15	Snack table is open for any child after s/he has completed at least one chosen activity. Placemats, glass plates and dishes with juice, crackers, fruit, cheese and vegetables are set out on the snack buffet for each child to help him/herself.
11:00-11:20	Activities on the blue ellipse floor line in the exercise room to music including, heel-to-toe walking, running, galloping, skipping, marching, hopping, jumping, skating, swaying, etc. We play musical instruments such as percussion, tambourines, bells and triangles to music. Children are taught beginning partner and line dancing to American folk music and games. These exercises are for fun, large and small motor coordination, balance and rhythm, group play and general and specific neural development. Songs for learning the alphabet and their sounds with movements are also done in the exercise room.
11:20 - 11:40	Bathroom and dressing for outside play. As soon as the children are ready, a teacher takes them out to play. Older children usually get outside quickly.
11:40 -12:30	Outside play includes sledding in Winter; vegetable gardening in spring & summer, games, swings, sandbox, climbing equipment in spring, summer & fall.
12:15 – 12:30	Parents pick-up children, who attend half-days.
12:30 – 12:45	Preparation for lunch.
12:45 -1:30	Lunch
1:30 – 3:00	Afternoon work period includes the same lessons and activities as are listed for the morning work period with additional special art projects.
2:30 – 3:00	Dancing on the line in the exercise room or outdoor play if desired. Each child cleans up his/her work space and assists with general classroom clean-up.
3:00 pm	End of School Day - Parents pick up children
3:15-5:15pm	After-school care – optional for additional charge in Exercise Room or outside