

With Graduates Like These...

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Sergey Brin,
Google
Co-Founder



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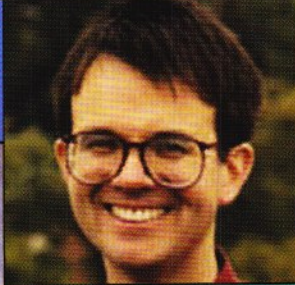
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Lea Salonga,
Tony Award
Winning Actor



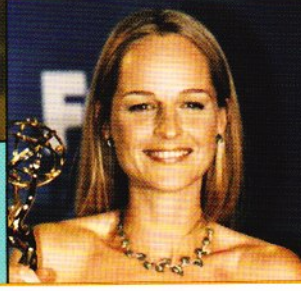
Jeff Bezos,
Amazon.com
Founder

Will Wright
Designer of SimCity



Eric Cornell, PhD,
Nobel Prize Winner

Helen Hunt, Academy
Award Winning Actor



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The beauty of Montessori is that it is meant for every child. As a Montessori student your child will have the opportunity to develop the intellectual foundation and emotional confidence that will serve as secure stepping stones as he or she travels the path to becoming an adult. Not every Montessori student founds a global company, becomes a life saving surgeon or reaches millions through their writing, nor does Montessori equate success with notoriety. Montessori educators equate success to helping a child become a self-confident, emotionally secure global citizen who can competently and confidently address social or economic issues while achieving their life's goals. As a result of the Montessori approach to education, Montessori students are prepared for life, not just for a test.

Unlike traditional classroom settings, where all students face a blackboard and information is delivered to them as if they were empty vessels expected to be filled with the same information at the same time, Montessori enables students, under guidance from trained educators, to become enchanted by learning opportunities at his or her own pace, focusing first on the areas of knowledge that interest the student. Developing a love of learning, the student expands his or her horizons, seeking out new information on new areas of interest motivated by intrinsic curiosity. It is this guided nurturing at all grade levels, from early childhood through adolescence that is a core principal of Montessori.

Montessori classrooms are scientifically designed to help the student follow his or her search for knowledge while at the same time learning important social skills and knowledge of the larger world. This knowledge provides a foundation upon which the student will build throughout life. Montessori classrooms are multi-aged settings where the younger students learn from social examples set by the older students and from observing presentations of more advanced lessons. This gives the younger students a peer-role model, while at the same time the older students learn to develop leadership skills and understand the joy and responsibilities of mentoring. The Montessori classroom is in fact a microcosm of the worlds they will enter as youths and as adults.

Recent research on brain development at all stages of life supports the Montessori approach to education. In more than 120 countries, Montessori is graduating students who are destined to become leaders and achievers, as well as caring citizens of the world. We invite you to consider a Montessori education for your child. After all, with graduates like these, we must be doing something right.

“The Importance of Your Decision”

Choosing how your child will be educated, especially in the early, formative years can be the most important decision you make regarding your child's future. Research proves that the early childhood education your child receives will have a lifetime impact. The decision you make now will affect his or her emotional development and academic and social progress through adolescence, university and adulthood. Therefore, when considering a school, please be sure that you select the school that seems to be the “perfect fit” for your child. Sometimes a school that may be a little longer commute may be a “better fit” than one that is a few minutes closer. To help you decide, speak frankly with the Montessori school's Administrator or Registrar about your child's needs and your expectations. Armed with the facts, the Montessori Professional will be able to provide guidance in your selection of a school. The goal of all Montessori schools is to help ensure that your child and the school you select are “a perfect fit”, creating the opportunity for your child's natural love of learning to blossom. When selecting a Montessori school for your child, be sure to inquire if all their classroom guides and instructors are Montessori trained and have received certificates of their course completion.

The Research Is In.....

Research has demonstrated the significant edge that a proper Montessori education provides to students:

- Cognitively through enhanced creative and critical thinking.
- Socially and emotionally through understanding oneself, one's talents and how to team.

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- Ethically, through developing a sense of respect and personal responsibility towards others and the environment.
- Executively through developing of planning, organization and logistics skill.
- Intellectually, through developing an understanding that “not getting something right” is not failure, but a learning opportunity

GRADUATES AND SUPPORTERS

Will Wright

- Original designer of the groundbreaking games *SimCity*, *The Sims* and *Spore*, Wright stated he had been inspired to create certain elements of *SimCity* from his experiences in his Montessori school.

“Montessori taught me the joy of discovery...It showed you can become interested in pretty complex theories, like Pythagorean theory, by playing with blocks. It’s all about learning on your terms, rather than a teacher explaining stuff to you. SimCity comes right out of Montessori—if you give people this model for building cities, they will abstract from it principles of urban design.”

President Woodrow Wilson

- Woodrow Wilson, President of The United States of America had a Montessori classroom installed in the basement of the White House during his term of office for staff to send their children to and his daughter was trained as a Montessori teacher. Margaret Wilson was on the committee that brought Dr Montessori to the USA in 1915.

Katherine Graham

- Owner/Editor Washington Post

“The Montessori Method—learning by doing— became my stock in trade...” from Personal History by Katharine Graham

Gabriel Garcia Marquez

- Columbian Novelist, journalist and publisher
- Nobel prize winner in Literature 1982

Lea Salonga-Chien

- Tony Award-winning singer and actress who is best known for her portrayal of Kim in the musical *Miss Saigon*.

Joshua Bell

American Grammy Winning Violinist

Craig and Marc Kielburger

- Child rights advocates, best selling authors and leadership specialists

Craig -Nominated 3 times for Nobel Peace Prize

- Craig; Made a Member to the Order of Canada by the Governor General
- Founded Free the Children, the world’s largest network of children helping children, and co-founded Leaders Today a youth leadership training organization

Larry Page and Sergey Brin

When asked to what they attributed their success, they responded that it was their going to a Montessori school where they learned to be self directed and self starters. They said that Montessori education allowed them to learn to think for themselves and gave them freedom to pursue their own interests.