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I believe that all children deserve to have an opportunity to enjoy learning, learn to love to learn, and deserve an opportunity to have a diverse education. Montessori philosophy is an inviting and astounding education tool to watch blossom within a child. Every child learns differently; Montessori is wonderful in the fact that we can individualize education and work with children on their level and scope, transpose learning methods to fit individual needs. Montessori also allows a child to become comfortable within a classroom for 3 years, to build relationships, self-esteem, self-confidence and become strong in their learning methods. Education is a profound tool for children, who are our FUTURE! There is nothing more invigorating for myself, as a teacher, than watching a child understand a concept and to get excited to learn more!!

I as a teacher, strive to do my best, to be a significant part of their education, to help build their future. I believe that a proactive classroom is a positive classroom- establishing a safe, positive, trusting, cooperative climate by using discussions, teaching and modeling the expectations, monitoring and practicing the classroom rules and expectations. I strive to my fullest potential to have a positive teacher-student relationship with all of the students. Encouraging self- control, problem solving, social skills, self-efficacy and optimism can enhance learning, positive behavior, and quality of life.

Class Motto: Be who you are and be the best you can be.

