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International Association of Progressive Montessori

An Invitation to Dedicated Montessori Teachers

To Montessori Teachers who are dedicated to the application of The Authentic Montessori method of education and who have five or more years of experience working with children at the age level for which you are credentialed

The question often comes up for those of us who enjoy the challenge or who want something more. Taking a master's degree or even getting a PhD is not always the answer. Now you have another option.

Become a Trainer/Instructor of Montessori teachers!

IAPM offers a course that provides a credential as a trainer which qualifies you to become an instructor in any IAPM affiliated teacher training Institute or enables you to register an independent teacher training Institute and affiliate it with IAPM.

Presently we are offering a course at the 2 1/2 to 6 year level if you are interested, please check out the following information and then contact us. There is nothing quite like the satisfaction you get from imparting knowledge to adult learners and in the process deepening your own knowledge of the subject matter that you love namely, Montessori education.

The Trainer/Instructors credential opens up doors to travel, as we have requests for many parts of the world for Trainers willing to work abroad, as there is a shortage of qualified candidates. Is this course for you? Call us and let's explore together.

Sincerely,

Ann Balasuriya

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International Association of Progressive Montessori Application for Teacher Membership

Date_

I apply for one-year Membership with International Association of Progressive Montessori and agree to meet the criteria and to follow *Authentic* Montessori principles and honor the Code of Ethics.

I understand that IAPM can refuse or revoke membership should I fail to meet requirements.

Name of Applicant	Home Phone ()
Address of Applicant	Cell Phone ()
Mailing Address (if different from above)	
E-mail Address	
Name of the School in Which You Now Work	
Address of School	
Applicants Education:	
General Education	
Montessori Credentials:	
Organization	Level 0-3
Practicum Experience (Name of School)	
Organization	Level 3-6
Practicum Experience (Name of School)	
Organization	Level 6-12
Practicum Experience (Name of School)	
Print Name as it Appears on your Diploma	
5	Date



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International Association of Progressive Montessori Teacher Membership Guidelines

Annual Renewal

CRITERION FOR MEMBERSHIP:

- 1. Member shall hold a credential from IAPM, AMI or a MACTE recognized Montessori Teacher Training Organization for the age level they are teaching.
- 2. Member shall maintain the necessary licensing requirements by all regulatory bodies having jurisdiction in the area of the school in which you work. (Criminal record clearance, physical health, and T.B. clearance, etc.).
- 3. The classrooms shall have a full complement of appropriate Montessori equipment necessary for the age range of the class *(see example inventory list)*.
- Each class that you teach shall conform to the *authentic* Montessori age groupings (e.g. 0 3, 3 6, 6 9, 9 12 years).
- 5. The daily schedule shall allow for an unbroken work period of 2 ¹/₂ to 3 hours, as required by Dr. Montessori.
- 6. The Member shall cooperate with the School Administrator to maintain an open observation policy, the goal of which is to educate New Parents on the benefits of Montessori education.
- 7. I agree to follow *authentic* Montessori principles and adhere to the Code of Ethics enclosed.

TO APPLY FOR MEMBERSHIP: Please complete the following and submit:

- 1. Complete and sign the application form
- 2. Enclose copies of **teacher credentials**
- 3. Enclose Annual Fee of \$25.00





International Association of Progressive Montessori Code of Ethics

And Commitment To Practice And Promote AUTHENTIC Montessori Principles

PRINCIPLE I - Commitment to the Child

The Montessori educator:

- 1. Shall encourage independent action in the pursuit of learning using *authentic* Montessori practices as established by Dr. Maria Montessori, including:
 - a. Maintain a complete prepared environment for the age range being served.
 - b. Maintain family grouping, e.g. $0 2\frac{1}{2}$, $2\frac{1}{2} 6$, 6 9, and 9 12 as per the philosophy.
 - c. Provide for an undisturbed $2\frac{1}{2} 3$ hour work period daily.
- 2. Shall protect the opportunity to provide for participation in educational programs without regard to race, sex, color, creed or national origin.
- 3. Shall protect the health and safety of students.
- 4. Shall honor professional commitments to principles, maintain obligations and contracts while never soliciting nor involving students or their parents in schemes for commercial gain.
- 5. Shall keep in confidence information that has been secured in the course of professional service, unless disclosure serves professional purposes for the benefit of the child, or is required by law.

PRINCIPLE II - Commitment to the Public

The Montessori educator shall take responsibility for the development of policy relating to the extension of educational opportunity for all and for interpreting *authentic* Montessori educational programs and policies to the public.

In fulfilling these goals, the director:

• Shall support this professional association and not misrepresent its policies in public discussion. Whenever speaking or writing about policies, the educator should take the precaution to distinguish all private views from the official position of the Association.

PRINCIPLE III - Commitment to the Profession

The Montessori educator shall continually make efforts to practice *authentic* Montessori principles to raise professional standards and conditions to attract persons worthy of trust to careers in Montessori education.

In fulfilling these goals, the educator:

- 1. Shall extend respect and equitable treatment to all members of the Montessori profession.
- 2. Shall represent their professional qualification with clarity and true intent.
- 3. Shall use honest and effective methods of administering duties, use of time and conducing of business.

As members, we pledge to conduct ourselves professionally and personally, in ways that will reflect our respect for each other and for the children we serve. We will do whatever is within our talents and capacity to protect the right of each child to have the freedom and opportunity to develop his full potential. IAPM requires that all member schools and teacher education programs commit to practice and promote **authentic Montessori** principles and honor the IAPM Code of Ethics, which relies solely on self-compliance with this Code. - Adopted by the IAPM Board of Directors August 1992. Updated June 2015.

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