



**Stonebrook-White  
Montessori Campus**  
Cleveland Metropolitan School District  
(CMSD)

**Designing the Future for the  
CHILDREN!**

Scholars were back in school!

Educators and scholars alike were excited to return to the classroom. A phase-in process began the week of March 8th with COVID-19 safety protocols. In CMSD’s hybrid model, scholars attended school in-person either Monday and Tuesday or Thursday and Friday and remotely the other three days. Scholars could also opt for 100% remote learning.

The Stonebrook-White Campus is currently enrolling children for preschool beginning at age 3 up through 8th grade for the 2021-2022 school year. Families can apply at the [CMSD School Choice Portal](#).

All enrolled scholars are eligible to attend [CMSD’s Summer Learning Experience](#).



Stonebrook-White Campus  
Design Process - UPDATE

The Campus Design Team recently concluded a six-month comprehensive planning process during which the team met weekly via Zoom. Outcomes of the planning process:

- the identification of a Montessori training and credentialing partner to lead a satellite program at the Stonebrook-White Montessori Campus,
- a multi-year implementation plan,
- a vision for site and building renovations to the Michael R. White building,
- a proposal to establish a Professional Development School at the Campus as a transformative Montessori learning laboratory for children and adults.

## Montessori Campus Advisory Board - UPDATE

The Montessori Campus Advisory Board (MCAB) is up and running! MCAB exists to consult, advise, guide, support, and promote the Stonebrook-White Montessori Campus as a thriving portfolio school in the Cleveland Metropolitan School District. Board members represent school leadership, families, the community, and philanthropic organizations. MCAB's mission is to steward access to exceptional Montessori education in the Glenville neighborhood. The Board's vision is to curate a culturally responsive teaching and learning environment, steeped in Montessori principles, that prepares all students for today's rapidly changing global society.

Montessori Campus Advisory Board meetings are open to the public. Board meetings are held the fourth Wednesday of the month, 5:30-7:00pm, via Zoom. Please contact Martha Loughridge, [mloughridge.mdp@gmail.com](mailto:mloughridge.mdp@gmail.com), at least 24-hours in advance of the meeting to receive the Zoom link if you wish to attend.

The Board is seeking community leaders to join committees as well as the board. We invite individuals who have a commitment to Cleveland's Eastside communities and education. Montessori experience is not required, but an interest and curiosity in Montessori is important.

For additional information about the Montessori Campus Advisory Board, contact:  
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## Montessori Teacher Training - UPDATE

Key to transforming Stonebrook-White to 100% Montessori will be a Cleveland-based training program that is designed for the public sector. A local program will allow CMSD licensed teachers to attain a Montessori credential and provide a pathway for paraprofessionals to become credentialed Montessori teachers. The Campus Design Team selected the Montessori Training Center Northeast (MTCNE), <https://mtcne.org>, as the training partner for the elementary and primary programs. Through MTCNE's partnership with Hartford University, participants will be able to apply course credits to a Bachelor's or Master's degree. Graduates will receive an AMI credential and a teacher certification needed to become licensed in the state of Ohio. The partnership with MTCNE will focus on the needs of the Stonebrook-White Montessori Campus and will inform the development of ongoing Montessori professional development for all of CMSD.

While CMSD is providing substantial in-kind contributions to the Montessori training program, MDP is accepting donations to support 15-20 CMSD educators to attain a Montessori credential and teach at the Stonebrook-White Montessori Campus. Please [donate today](#) to Design the Future to ensure that every child living in Cleveland has access to an exceptional Montessori education.



## School Partner Program Highlights

### Musician-In-Residence

Through a TeachArtsOhio grant from the *Ohio Arts Council*, *In Harmony Therapeutic Services* has been providing music support for the primary and elementary classrooms in the Stonebrook building as well as individualized music lessons for some students. The children had a virtual recital on Wednesday, May 26th.

### Environmental Educator-in-Residence

Thanks to the support from many funders, *The Nature Center at Shaker Lakes* has been engaging weekly with the 4th and 5th grade Stonebrook-White scholars to provide hands-on science learning at home all year.

ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATOR-IN-RESIDENCE IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE NATURE CENTER AT SHAKER LAKES

Feel Good Foundation, RPM International, Stolier Family Foundation

MUSICIAN-IN-RESIDENCE IN PARTNERSHIP WITH IN HARMONY THERAPEUTIC SERVICES

LWH Family Foundation, Ohio Arts Council: TeachArtsOhio



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PEACE LITERACY PARENT WORKSHOPS

The Cleveland Foundation and The George Gund Foundation (via grants to Tremont West Corporation), St. Luke's Foundation

MONTESSORI TEACHER TRAINING

The Cleveland Foundation, The George Gund Foundation, Martha Holden Jennings Foundation, The Harry K. and Emma R. Fox Charitable Foundation

Total Funding raised for Programming: \$258,450



# OPERATIONS & ANNUAL FUND – THANK YOU!!!

With much gratitude, we would like to thank our generous donors who supported Stonebrook-White Montessori from July 2020 - May 2021. Total raised for the 2020-2021 Annual Fund: \$59,030!!!

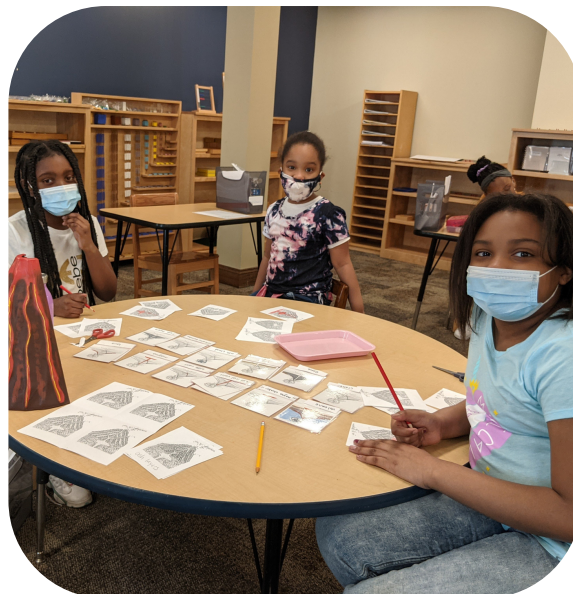
All Annual Fund donations will be fully matched by The Hershey Foundation.

These funds are supporting two new and unique positions at CMSD – the Director of Montessori Programming and Operations as well as the Enrollment and Marketing Coordinator for the Stonebrook-White Campus – plus supplies for this school year. As the new CMSD Director of Montessori Programming, Jacqui Miller, who was the founding and former principal of Stonebrook Montessori, has been involved at all levels of CMSD to support the growth of Montessori in the district. As the Enrollment and Marketing Coordinator, Shawntá Duckworth, has exceeded the school's projected population goal of 364 by enrolling 383 scholars. Her dedication to building strong relationships with families has allowed her to develop a solid pipeline, build referrals, and form a strong community at the school even during this pandemic year.

## MONTESSORI ANNUAL FUND AND OPERATIONS 2020-2021

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