



July 29, 2008

Dear PCM Parents,

I extend a warm welcome to all new and returning families to Pebblecreek Montessori. We are looking forward to a great year, and are excited to be here in our new campus! Our staff has worked really hard over the summer to make our school feel more like home. As we prepare for the start of school which is just around the corner we are always looking for ways to simplify procedures and make the most efficient use of time. With that in mind, we will be holding our first PCM Back to School Expo.

The expo will be held on **Thursday, August 21st from 6:00pm-7:00pm** in the school gym. The following tables will be included in the expo:

- **Administrative Team** to insure every student's paperwork is correct and complete **prior** to the first day of school. This includes all required forms. A notary will be on site. (In compliance with state licensing all complete admission forms and immunization records are due to the admissions office in order to attend school.)
- **Academic Outfitters** (PCM's uniform supplier) to answer questions and take care of any last minute uniform orders. Nap mats for the younger children will be available for purchase as well as select items from the uniform apparel.
- **Lunch Bunch** Enroll children in our new hot lunch program starting August 25th. We will offer this program 5 days a week (which includes Pizza Fridays). Families may also opt to enroll in just Pizza Fridays. Children will receive a lunch card once enrolled in the program. *Please note: lunch will continue to be included in all AYM primary and toddler programs.*
- **Extra curricular activities.** Coordinators of these activities will be available to answer any questions about their programs and enroll children for the fall semester. We plan to offer the following: Tot Kwon Do, Science, Soccer Club, Gymnastics, Basketball, Art and Spanish.
- **Pebblecreek Memorial Foundation.** This 501c3 organization was founded in 2004 to fund a scholarship and financial aid program for families needing financial assistance. To date we have successfully funded more than \$100,000 in assistance. Parents will have the opportunity to purchase tickets to some events benefiting the foundation including:
 - ▽ Andrew Owen Memorial Golf Tournament
 - ▽ "A Night Under the Stars"
(A formal black tie gala open to all members and friends of our school community),
 - ▽ Family Valentine Dance
 - ▽ Tuition Raffle
 - ▽ Front of the Carpool Line Raffle
 - ▽ Extracurricular Activities Raffle

School starts Monday, August 25th at 8:15 for ALL students. Carpool will begin at 7:30 and will end promptly at 8:05am. Please make sure that students are seated on the passenger's side of the car ready with any necessary items to exit the car. (Please view the carpool route). There will be 3 stations for carpool, please move to the first available spot so that we can expedite the carpool process. Please also note that we are all in one building now and there will be more doing carpool. We prefer that all parents, excluding infants, participate in carpool!

Carpool pick-up for half-day students starts at 12:15 and ends at 12:30, school-day pick up starts at 3:15 and ends at 3:30pm. Outside of the first two carpool pick-up times, parents must enter the building to pick up their child and sign them out.

We look forward to seeing you at the EXPO and Class Picnics!

Warmest Regards,

*Susan Dendinger
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