



Guide to Classroom Observation

Welcome to Lone Oak Montessori School. We hope you enjoy your time observing in our classrooms, where you will see the Montessori approach come alive. Please use this information to get the most out of your visit, and ensure that the children's work is uninterrupted.

- Please sit in the chair provided, and kindly refrain from walking around the classroom.
- Please turn off phone ringers and refrain from phone use.
- If you are observing with another person, please refrain from conversation while in the classroom.

While the teacher and assistant are not available for questions during observations, you will have time to address all questions to the School Director (or other staff tour guide) after leaving the classroom. Should you have additional questions after your visit to our school, please do not hesitate to contact us at loneoakinfo@gmail.com or at (301) 469-4888.

Thank you for taking the time to visit Lone Oak!



Montessori Classroom Observations

In a Montessori classroom, you are likely to observe:

- Children of different ages working harmoniously together
- Multi-sensory, hands-on material in regular use
- Each child having the opportunity to explore work that interests him/her
- An emphasis on “learning by doing”
- Children working as long as they want on interesting projects without being stopped by a bell
- Teachers and staff showing great respect for the children
- Calm, concentrated, and joyful children
- Children being allowed to choose a favorite spot to work (e.g., floor, table) instead of being restricted to a desk
- An attractive, organized classroom environment
- Children showing respect for their peers, their teachers, and their environment