



Membership

2009 - 2010

Accredited

Associate

Teacher

Affiliated

Membership Benefits

Mission: MAAA is the only authorized organization that provides families and professionals with a standard of excellence when using the combined method of Montessori and ABA.

- For Accredited and Associate members, a certificate of recognition of the professional standard of the school or program is issued.
- For Teacher and Affiliate members, business card size recognition of membership is issued.
- Website listing for Accredited and Associate members.
- Referrals to parents who have children with autism.
- International networking via email and our website.
- Members receive 10% off all books/resources published by MAAA. This includes the Program Tracking Manual Autism - A Montessori Approach. (Membership number must be given prior to shipment.)

Accredited Member

To be an Accredited member, each school or program must have successfully completed the following:

The School or Program:

- Must be licensed to run under the appropriate Ministry/Government. *
- Must run five days a week for a minimum of three hours a day (as per accredited Montessori guidelines for a typical classroom).
- Policies and Procedures of the school/program to be reviewed by MAAA.
- The school/program meets the requirements for building, fire, health and safety codes.
- The school/program has liability insurance.
- The school/program must have a range of Montessori materials to meet the needs of each child in the program.

The Staff:

- At least one certified Montessori Teacher per classroom.
- All staff working with children with autism must have a minimum of two years experience in the field of autism.
- All staff working with children with autism must have completed Autism - A Montessori Approach 32 hour (or comparable) course.
- Staff is responsible to take daily data using either a probe data model or a trial by trial data model.
- Monthly graphs of the child's progress must be submitted for review by MAAA for one year prior to accreditation being issued.

The Students:

- Each student must have their own Autism— A Montessori Approach program tracking manual.
- Each student must have one to one instruction.
- Each student must have a minimum 15 hours a week of instruction (i.e. five days a week).

*This means being licensed under education, daycare, non profit organization or charitable organization.

Associate Member

To be an Associate member, each school or program must have successfully completed the following:

The School or Program:

- Must be licensed to run under the appropriate Ministry/Government. *
- The school/program meets the requirements for building, fire, health and safety codes.
- The school/program has liability insurance.
- The school/program must have a range of Montessori materials to meet the needs of each child in the program.

The Staff:

- At least one certified Montessori Teacher per classroom.
- At least one staff per classroom must have completed Autism - A Montessori Approach 32 hour (or comparable) course.
- All staff working with children with autism must have a minimum of two years experience in the field of autism.
- Staff is responsible to take data using Autism - A Montessori Approach program tracking manual.

The Students:

- Each student must have their own Autism— A Montessori Approach program tracking manual.
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Teacher Member

To be a Teacher member you must have the following:

The Teacher:

- Be a certified Montessori Teacher.
- Have completed Autism - A Montessori Approach 32 hour (or comparable) course.
- Have a minimum of two years experience with children with autism.

Affiliated Member

To be an Affiliated member you must have **one** of the following:

The Member:

- Have completed Autism - A Montessori Approach 32 hour course (or equivalent).
- Have completed Autism - Montessori Approaches in the home 32 hour course (or equivalent).

Membership Form



MONTESSORI AUTISM
ACCREDITATION AUTHORITY

Please tick off which membership you are applying for:

- Accredited Member
- Associate Member
- Teacher Member
- Affiliated Member

For **Accredited** members, please contact Michelle Lane at montessoriautism@yahoo.com or 416.435.2460 for more details on the accreditation process.

For **Accredited and Associate** members please provide the following information:

Name of School/Program and full address: (please print)

Please enclose copies of all codes and insurance information (building, fire, health etc.)

For schools/programs in Toronto, a visit from MAAA to see the set up is required. For schools outside of Toronto and in other Countries at least one photograph of the classroom (this is to show the set up and range of materials that are in the room) are required.

Please give the number of students with autism enrolled in the school/program: _____

Please tick off the age range of the school/program you are running:

- Casa (2-6)
- Casa and Lower Elementary (2-9)
- Casa and Full Elementary (2-12)
- Lower Elementary only (6-9)
- Upper Elementary only (9-12)
- High School (12-18)
- Other - please explain

Please provide copies of Teacher certification (per teacher if more than one).

Please provide details of each Teacher's work related experience in the field of autism (minimum 2 years).

For **Teacher** members please provide the following information:

Name: Please Print (This name will appear on your membership card)

Full Address:

A copy of Teacher certification.

Work experience in the field of autism. (i.e. reference or resume of experience)

A copy of your Autism - A Montessori Approach or Autism - Montessori Approaches in the home 32 hour (or equivalent) certificate of completion.

For **Affiliated** members please provide a copy of your Autism - A Montessori Approach or Autism - Montessori Approaches in the home 32 hour (or equivalent) certificate of completion.

If you would like email updates please provide your email address:

Annual Membership Fees: Fees are in Canadian Funds.

Accredited Base Fee is \$300 per year for 1 to 4 children. An additional fee of \$25 per child per year is required for programs with more than 4 children (based on each child's data review)

Associate \$100 per year

Teacher \$20 per year

Affiliate \$10 per year

Please include your cheque with your application. All cheques should be made out to:

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