



Montessori Alliance of Tennessee

Navigating the Pathways to Literacy

Presented by

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9:00 - 4:00

**The Maria Montessori School
740 Harbor Bend Rd.
Memphis, TN 38104**

\$60 per participant

How is a Montessori Primary designed to enhance the young child's vocabulary development?

Why do some Montessori children write before they read?

What is age appropriate literature for the 3-6 year old child?

Should all children be reading by age 6?

What do Primary Guides need to know about the Elementary language curriculum?

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Join us to explore these questions and study the language development of the young child enhanced with the Montessori Method. Participants can expect:

1. Presentations and discussions about Montessori theory, spoken language development, written language development, literature, and reading
2. Hands-on activities using Montessori Language materials
3. Practical techniques to implement in the classroom

This workshop will provide 6 hours of professional development training, which meets the TN Dept. of Education literacy training requirement for preschool teachers and assistants.

Register online at www.matenn.org/2019-literacy-workshops.html

Registration is limited. Secure your space soon.

Payment: Payment can be made by check or cash the day of the workshop. Checks should be payable to Montessori Alliance of TN.

Lunch: The Maria Montessori School will provide space for those who bring bag lunches, as well as a list of nearby restaurants for those who prefer to go out.

About Our Presenters

Maria Schuermann-Cole

Maria Schuermann-Cole is the Founder and Headmistress of the Maria Montessori School in Memphis, Tennessee. The School is affiliated with, and certified by, The Association Montessori International (AMI) since 1986. Maria received her 3-6 primary training from the Montessori Institute of Atlanta in 1977 and is certified in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd for children ages 6-9. She also had the wonderful privilege to participate in the first Educateurs sans Frontieres (ESF 1999) at the Villa Montesca in Citta di Castello, Italy where Maria Montessori conducted her first training course in 1909. In addition to her Montessori work, as a Primary directress and administrator, Maria enjoys family, cooking, travel and of recent, the arrival of her first grandchild, Gus.

“Your work is to discover your world and then with all your heart give yourself to it.” ~ Buddha

Santina Campbell

Santina lives in Memphis, TN with her husband and son and is currently an Elementary guide at The Maria Montessori School. She has 22 years of experience as an Elementary guide. She received her AMI Elementary training from The Washington Montessori Institute in Washington, D.C. She also holds a Bachelor degree in Early Childhood Education from Spring Hill College and a Masters degree in Elementary Education from Loyola College of Maryland. She began her Montessori journey at two years of age when her mother enrolled her in The First Montessori of the Mid-South. She has remained connected to the Montessori community throughout her life and is proud to call herself a Montessori guide, student and parent.