



2023 - 2024
Application for Admission

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LiMai
Montessori Academy

PLEASE COMPLETE

We are applying for admission
to the following program:

PRESCHOOL
(2-5 years old)

- ☐ Half Day 3/4/5
☐ School Day 3/4/5
☐ 8 Hour Day 3/4/5
☐ Full Day 3/4/5

KINDERGARTEN
(5-7 years old)

- ☐ 5 School Days
☐ 5 8 Hour Days
☐ 5 Full Days

We are interested in starting:
___/___/___
or as soon as possible []

Today's date: ___/___/___ start date: ___/___/___

Child's name: _____

Birth date: _____

Gender: Female [] Male []:

Parent's Name: _____ Relationship to child: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Parent's Name: _____ Relationship to child: _____

Address: _____

Other children in family (and ages):

Name: _____ Age: _____

Name: _____ Age: _____

Name: _____ Age: _____

2023 – 2024 ACADEMIC PROGRAMS (September 2023 through August 2024)

Preschool (Ages 2-5 years)

- Full Day (7:00 am -6:00 pm) ☐ 5 Days \$1409/mo. ☐ 4 Days \$1359/mo. ☐ 3 Day \$1309/mo.
- 8 Hour Day (7:00 am-3:00 pm or 8:00 am – 4:00pm) ☐ 5 Days \$1359/mo. ☐ 4 Days \$1309/mo. ☐ 3 Days \$1259/mo.
- School Day (8:30 am – 3:00 pm) ☐ 5 Days \$1269/mo. ☐ 4 Days \$1219/mo. ☐ 3 Days \$1169/mo.
- Half Day (8:30 am – 12:00 pm) ☐ 5 Days \$1139/mo. ☐ 4 Days 1089/mo. ☐ 3 Days \$1039/mo.

Kindergarten -1st Grade (Ages 5 through 7)

- Full Day (7:00 am -6:00 pm) ☐ 5 Days \$1409/mo.
- 8 Hour Day (7:00 am-3:00 pm 8:00 am – 4:00pm) ☐ 5 Days \$1359/mo.
- School Day (8:30 am – 3:00 pm) ☐ 5 Days \$1269/mo.

*** Please Note: Hours are subject to change- The school reserves its right to adjust the tuition periodically.**

Important School Policies:

1. Refund of Tuition

- There will be no refund for tuition or any other fees or charges prepaid unless expressly provided in this Application for Admission or the Terms of Enrollment
- If your child no longer attends our school and you have prepaid the tuition for the entire school year, you will be eligible for a refund of the prorated tuition for the remaining months of the school year. Such prorated tuition will be calculated as follows: take the number of months remaining for the 12-month school year, dividing that by 12, and then multiplying by the annual tuition prepaid.
- You understand and acknowledge that if the School has to close its campus because of events outside of its reasonable control, including without limitation, government orders, riots, strikes, natural disasters, the School will not refund any tuition prepaid for the month when the campus closure becomes effective, unless such closure takes place on the first day of the month. In addition, for the prepaid annual tuition, the refund will be calculated on a prorated basis, taking the number of months remaining for the 12-month school year, dividing that by 12, and then multiplying this number by the annual tuition prepaid.
- There will be no refunds or credits for the days your student is absent from the school.

2. Tuition Discount

- Sibling Discount.** To ease the strain of meeting tuition payments for large families, the School has implemented the following financial aid policy. The tuition discounts indicated below only apply to tuition payments and do not affect other fees or charges.
2 enrolled children within the same household: first child – full tuition, second child – 10% off
3 or more enrolled children within the same household: first child – full tuition, second child – 10% off, third or any child thereafter – 15%

*Sibling Discount will be applied to the older sibling or whoever pays less amount of tuition.

- b. **Full Payment Discount.** A 5% discount will be applied if the twelve – month tuition is paid upfront when the family signs up for enrollment.
- c. **Military Appreciation Discount.** 10% discount will be applied to the tuition of active-duty military personnel, veterans or law enforcement personnel's child.
- d. You may choose to use only one of the two above-mentioned discounts. Those two discounts cannot be combined.

3. Fees and Charges

- a. **Annual Registration Fee.** An annual registration Fee of \$180 is due at the beginning of each school year for each child. This fee covers the registration process and therefore is **NON-REFUNDABLE**.
- b. **Annual Material Fee.** A **non-Refundable** annual material fee of \$180 per child is due 1st day of the school year whether enrolled on-site or virtual.
- c. **Security Deposit/Withdrawal:** A \$400 security deposit is due upon enrollment. If a parent or guardian has provided a thirty-day advance written notice of withdrawal via email to our school Director, the security deposit will be applied toward the tuition for the last month of attendance or if you have prepaid the tuition for the last month of attendance, a \$400 refund check will be mailed to the parent or guardian's address on record within 60 days from your child's last date at our school. **The security deposit will be forfeited if no written notice is given, or the written notice is given but less than the prescribed thirty-day in advance or your child is dismissed from the School for any reasons stated in this Enrollment Form.**
- d. **Miscellaneous Fees and Charges**
 - A \$25 Earthquake Kit Fee per child is due at the time your child begins school or such kit needs to be provided by the parent or guardian.
 - A \$50 Service Fee will apply if a check is returned by the bank.
 - A \$50 late fee will apply if the monthly tuition payment is received by the School after the fifth day of each calendar month.
 - A Late Pick-Up Fee (\$20 for the first 15 minutes and \$5 every minute thereafter) per child will apply if the student is picked up after the end time for the program in which she or he is enrolled.
 - Failure to sign in or sign out your child will result in a fee of \$10 per child per time. Please understand that the licensing requirement mandates the school to pay a \$500 fine if the parent or guardian fails to sign his or her child in or out.

- 4. **Request to Switch Programs.** Any requests to switch between Full Day Program and Part-Time Program must be submitted in writing via email to the School Director. If granted, such change will be effective from the beginning of the next calendar month following the date of the written request. We will try our best to accommodate your request, however, a spot in the program you desire to switch your child(ren) to can not be guaranteed as the availability will depend on the program capacity and the actual enrollment at the time of your request. For your child(ren) to start in the new program from the next calendar month following the date of the written request, a parent or guardian must submit the request to switch at least five days prior to the first date of such calendar month so that the School will have sufficient time to process and coordinate between the programs. A request submitted outside the prescribed time frame will be considered on a case by case basis.

Example 1: if a student wishes to switch from Part-Time to Full Day and a written request was submitted on January 5th, if granted, such change will be effective on Feb 1, from January 5th through Jan 31st, the student will remain in the Part-Time program and pay the Part-Time tuition fee.

Example 2: if a student wishes to switch programs and start in the new program from November 1, a written request to switch must be submitted five days prior to November 1.

5. School Directors' Email Address:

Director: Judi Niemela Email: judi.n@limaimontessori.com

- 6. Acknowledgement by Parent or Guardian.** As the parent or guardian of the student, I acknowledge that I understand that tuition payments cannot be waived due to child(ren)'s illness. I understand that, subject to the provisions in this Application for Admission Form and the Terms of Enrollment, once I accept an enrollment, the annual registration fees (\$180) and annual material fee (\$180) paid are non-refundable and non-transferable unless otherwise expressly herein. **I understand that a 30-day advance written notice is required should I choose to withdraw my child(ren).** I understand that tuition is due on the 5th day of each calendar month, or a late fee (\$50) will apply for any tuition paid after the 5th of the month. Please refer to the Parent Handbook for additional information.
- 7. Review of School Surveillance Camera Footage.** Parent or guardian has no right to review the school surveillance camera footage unless your child is physically injured at our school. Parent or guardian may only review our surveillance camera footage for the date of your child's physical injury at our school. Parent or guardian must make an appointment with our school Director in advance to review such footage, and the viewing shall be no more than 15 minutes unless approved by the Director on a case by case basis.
- 8. If there is any conflict between this Application for Admission form and the Parent Handbook, the terms in this Application for Admission shall prevail.**

Please sign below return to us either in-person, by email (rsm@limaimontessori.com)

Understood, Acknowledged and Agreed:

(Date)

(Signature of Parent/Guardian)

(Date)

(Signature of Director/Principal)

Date of acceptance: _____ Enrollment fees paid: Registration \$180 _____ Materials \$180 _____

Check # _____

Security Deposit: \$400 _____ Check # _____ Start Date: _____ Class Assigned: _____

Child's Name: _____ Birth Date: _____

Start Date: _____ Schedule: _____ Tuition: _____

TERMS OF ENROLLMENT

All Tuition payments are due and payable on the 1st day of each calendar month and are considered late if received by the school after the 5th day of each calendar month. A child will not be accepted until the first month's tuition has been paid.

A late charge of \$50 MUST be included with a late tuition payment.....Initial: []

There will be an automatic \$50 charge for any and all returned checks.....Initial: []

I understand that if my child(ren)'s tuition is unpaid for 10 or more school days, without specific arrangements approved by the School Director, my child(ren) may NOT be accepted for attendance, and that student's space may be considered open for new enrollment, subject to school's

discretion.....Initial: []

When a student needs Extended Day Care, and is NOT enrolled in the Extended Day Care Program, the charge for such temporary Extended Day care is \$30.00 per hour or portion of an hour, or \$150/day for Primary program any part thereof, due at the time of use.....Initial: []

Refunds or reductions in tuition rates CANNOT be made for any reasons except expressly set forth in this Enrollment For.....Initial: []

Withdrawal Procedure: WITHDRAWAL OF A STUDENT FROM ENROLLMENT AT SCHOOL MUST BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING AT LEAST THIRTY DAYS IN ADVANCE Initial: []

School Closure Days: The school is closed on the following days: Labor Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving and the Friday after, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Day, President's Day, Memorial Day, Juneteenth, Independence Day, Spring and Winter Breaks and Staff Development Day. For holidays that fall on a Saturday, the holiday will generally be observed on the Friday before. For holidays that fall on a Sunday, the holiday will generally be observed on the Monday after. **No tuition refund for the days mentioned in this paragraph.**

.....Initial: []

The parent/guardian is responsible for informing the school of changes in address, phone numbers, and of people who are authorized to pick up the child from the school.Initial: []

Our school reserves the right to refer to God as a universal God, not defining any specific religion. We also reserved the right to expose children to any traditional religious holidays, including Christmas, Easter, Passover and Hanukkah in storytelling, plays, festivals, etc.....Initial: []

All parents/guardians are required by law to sign your Full name in and out as well as the time in and out each day. There will be an automatic \$10 charge per child each time if there is a failure to sign in and out by a parent/guardian..... []

NO PERSON UNDER THE AGE OF 18 WILL BE PERMITTED TO SIGN A CHILD IN OR OUT WITHOUT A SIGNED RELEASE FROM THE PARENT/GUARDIAN. If you are separated or divorced, we must have a court order to restrain the other parent from picking up the child.....Initial: []

There is a space in your child's Health History form to list allergies. Please fill this out carefully, including sensitivities to food, smells, insect bites or stings.....Initial: []

Parents/Guardians must secure alternate care for sick children. Pursuant to the California Health Department's policies, a child cannot be accepted in school if he/she shows signs of illness upon their arrival in the morning. We ask that you keep sick Children at home if they have experienced any of the following symptoms within the past 24 hours:
a fever over 100 F (37.8 C) orally • uncontrollable coughing • diarrhea, vomiting, or an upset stomach • unusual or unexpected loss of appetite, fatigue, irritability, or headache • any discharge or drainage from eyes, nose, ears, or open sores • undiagnosed rashes. Children with any of these symptoms will be returned home. We appreciate your cooperation with this policy. Initial: []

PHOTOGRAPHS, VIDEOS AND AUDIO TAPES: I understand and agree that, in consideration for being allowed to photograph, videotape or audio record my child on school's property; I shall only use such recording for lawful and private home use and will not publicly display or sell such recordings. Initial: []

MEDICATION: I understand that it is not the school's responsibility to administer any medication, regardless of prescription or over-the-counter medication. If medication must be administered during the day, the school can only administer over-the-counter medication. All medication I intend the school to administer will be in the original container with a label from the pharmacy that clearly states the expiration date and exact dosage and times to be given. I agree to fill out the Non-Prescription Medical Treatment Instruction, Consent and Waiver form and give the medications and completed forms to the School Director. I understand that I must strictly follow all school's policies related to the administration of medication in the school.Initial: []

TERMINATION: We reserve the right to refuse service to anyone. In the event that a child becomes a danger or a threat to the physical safety of himself, our staff or other students, he/she might be dismissed from our program. In this case, prorated refunds of prepaid tuition, if applicable, will be given based on the child(ren)'s attendance. If parent or guardian fails to comply with any of our applicable school policies, or he or she acts disrespectfully when interacting with any of our staff, we reserve the right to terminate the services to you with a full refund of the security deposit and a prorated refund of prepaid tuition, if applicable. Our school has the absolute discretion to determine whether your child poses a danger or a threat to himself, our staff or other students, and to determine whether parent or guardian fails to comply with any of our school policies, or whether parent or guardian acts disrespectfully when interacting with any of our staff Initial: []

EMERGENCY CONTACTS: I understand that I am required to provide and maintain at all times a minimum of two additional emergency contacts other than myself, including full names, home and work phone numbers, cellular phone numbers, addresses, driver's license numbers or state identification numbers, and relationship to my child(ren). I understand that in the event of any emergency for which I cannot be reached and the emergency contacts cannot be reached, that the school may contact the police or other local authorities for assistance..... Initial: []

I understand that the Community Care Licensing Division has the authority to interview children or staff, to inspect and audit child or Child Care Center records, without my prior consent.....Initial: []

Licensing "Inspection Authority" per section #101210 (b) (c) Admission Agreements which references section #101195 (b) & (c) are quoted below:

The Department or licensing agency shall have the authority to interview children or staff; and to inspect and audit child or facility records without prior consent.

- (1). The licensee shall make provisions for private interviews with any child(ren), or the staff member and for the examination of all records relating to the operation of the facility.
- A. The Department or licensing agency shall have the authority to observe the physical condition of the child(ren), including conditions which could indicate abuse, neglect, or inappropriate placement, and to have a licensed medical professional physically examine the child(ren).
- B.

PARENTS ARE FINANCIALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR DAMAGE TO THE SCHOOL FACILITY OR MATERIALS CAUSED BY THEIR CHILD(REN).....Initial: []

Each time a tuition or fee payment is made to our school, our payment processing vendor (Smartcare) will send you a receipt to the email you used to register. Parents and/or guardians understand and agree that they have the obligation to save such receipts timely, and our school will not provide a summary of your payments except for our tax ID if requested.....Initial: []

SCHOOL IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR CHILDCARE TO A STUDENT DURING SCHOOL HOLIDAYS Initial: []

I have received, read, understood, and signed the LMA September 2023– August 2024 Registration/Tuition Agreement (II) for my child.....Initial: []

I have read, understood, acknowledged, and signed the LMA Parent Handbook.....Initial: []

I have read, understood, acknowledged, and signed the Release of Liability Initial: []

I have received a copy of the LMA September 2022– August 2023 Holiday and Conference Schedule..... Initial: []

I agree with all the Terms of Enrollment. Initial: []

Print Child's Name: _____ **Birthdate:** _____

Print Parent's or Guardian's Name: _____ **Phone:** _____

Parent's or Guardian's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Director Signature: _____ **Date:** _____