

ABOUT THE

Harold L. Holliday, Sr. Montessori School

Harold L. Holliday, Sr. Montessori is surrounded by the rolling hills and dense woods of Swope Park, one of the largest urban parks in the country. The school was built specifically to Montessori standards, opening its doors in 1992 as the second Montessori magnet school in the Kansas City Public Schools. Holliday has a unique building design with four wings and feature a courtyard filled with interesting things to discover.



The school is named after Harold L. Holliday, Sr., the first African-American to receive a law degree from the University of Missouri-Kansas City in 1952. A civil rights activist, economist, army officer, judge and politician, Holliday also served many years in the Missouri House of Representatives.

Free Before & After School Care (K-6)

Free Breakfast & Lunch

Student Council

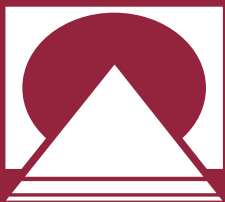
KC Ballet Dance

Piano Lessons

String Lessons

Chess Club

Gardening Club



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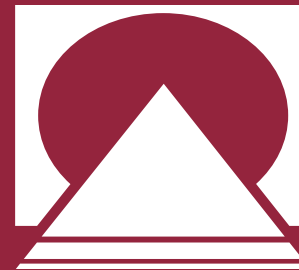
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Harold L. Holliday, Sr. Montessori

Serving students pre-kindergarten through sixth grade



THE MISSION OF

Harold L. Holliday, Sr.
Montessori is to prepare learners for life in an educational and social environment where each child is challenged to become self-motivated by developing the qualities of self-worth, order, concentration, coordination and independence.



ABOUT HOLLIDAY

Serving students

Pre-Kindergarten thru Sixth Grade

Bell Times:

8:10 am – 3:10 pm

Uniforms:

Solid red, navy, light blue short or long sleeved shirts (must have a collar or turtleneck), white blouses for girls.

Tan (khaki) or navy blue pants, skirt, jumper, or shorts. Denim jeans or shorts on Fridays with a school spirit shirt.

Harold L. Holliday, Sr. Montessori is one of two public signature Montessori schools in the Kansas City metropolitan area. Students residing within the KCPS school boundary are invited to apply. As a KCPS school, free breakfast and lunch are available for all students. Free transportation and before- and after-school care are also provided for students in grades K-6.

Parents and community members are woven into Holliday's fabric – they are essential to our success. With the help of our parents and community partners, Holliday staff and students worked on their very own Farmer's Market. Volunteers constructed and installed 18 garden beds on-site, allowing students to pick their first harvest this past spring.

With the new on-site gardens, Holliday is proud to offer Gardening Club for all students. Holliday has also partnered with Heartland Chamber of Music to offer string lessons to four-year olds and the Kansas City Ballet to offer dance lessons to third grade students free of charge. Piano lessons also are offered to Holliday students.

Now Enrolling!

We are seeking students to join our Holliday family. If you live within the KCPS attendance boundary and have a child ages three to five or have an elementary student with previous Montessori experience, you are eligible to apply. Please call (816) 418-1950 or visit our school for more information.

MONTESSORI LIFE

At Holliday, the Montessori philosophy allows our teachers to promote hands-on learning through exploration and discovery. Students are given the keys to the world!

Develop a life-long love of learning

Children in quality Montessori schools develop their personalities as harmonious human beings through precise movements, intellect and their will. They learn to concentrate and work with precision – skills that will help them become harmonious beings with a purpose in their society.

Freedom to learn at your pace

Children have freedom to choose their work throughout the day during an uninterrupted three-hour work period. Students choose work from various areas of the classroom: practical life, sensorial, math and culture. The work within the Montessori classroom is authentic and purposeful – they are a part of the child's everyday environment and will allow them to become independent.

Ongoing training

In addition to their degree(s) in elementary education, our teachers also hold Montessori credentials and are trained guides. We have on staff 10 Association of Montessori Internationale, three American Montessori Society and three North America Montessori Center trained teachers. Also, Holliday's Principal, Mrs. Kalinda Bass-Barlow is earning the credentials to become AMI trained in primary Montessori.

Our learning environment is:

- The child's environment
- Developmentally appropriate
- Self-paced
- Collaborative
- Purposeful
- Proportionate to the child

Students develop:

- Concentration
- Leadership skills
- Self-discipline
- Responsibility
- Independence
- Initiative
- A lifelong love of learning

Students have the freedom to:

- Work at their own pace
- Explore for themselves
- Learn to be self-motivated learners

