

May 15, 2025

Hello Dater Montessori Families,

My name is Ms. Nadia, and I am so excited to invite you and welcome you into my classroom for the 2025-2026 school year. This will be my second year at Dater Montessori and my seventh year teaching overall.

While I enjoy all areas of the classroom, I love to teach math. I also love to read books aloud and to learn about animals and outer space. I can be a bit theatrical at times when giving lessons, but it just adds to the fun in our classroom. I am looking forward to welcoming a new class pet into the classroom in the Fall.

I wanted to share a little more about myself. I have two cats, Frankie and Murphy! My favorite animals are butterflies and whales. My favorite color is sky blue on a clear day. I love to read, practice yoga, play video games, and spend time with my family. I also love teaching 1st, 2nd, and 3rd graders! I was a CPS "Montessori kid" myself throughout elementary school, and my favorite year was my second-grade year. It is so cool to be on the other side of the lesson rug! My hope is that the classroom is a place where everyone can get excited about learning and feel free to be themselves.

I look forward to connecting with you in August. I will be sharing more information regarding procedures, our daily schedule, and other details in the future.

I hope you have a joyful summer!

Sincerely,

Ms. Nadia DiMarco, M.Ed.

Ages 6-9, Room 1311

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Classroom Supply List 2025-2026

Ms. Nadia DiMarco, ages 6-9

- **1 pair of headphones** for your child to use with their computer in the classroom. Please label the headphones with your child's name and place them in a ziploc bag. The headphones will stay at school.
- **2 wide-ruled composition notebooks** (like the black and white speckled kind). Please label with your child's first name on the front cover.
- **1 pencil box** for personal use. Please label it with your child's name. When you send in the pencil box, please have it loaded with the following items:
 - **1 box of colored pencils 12 count.** I recommend writing your child's name on the pencils.
 - **1 box of crayons 24 count.** Please label with your child's name.
 - **1 pair of scissors.** Please label it with your child's name. Your child will keep these in their pencil box.
 - **4 small glue sticks or 2 large ones** for your child's pencil box. Label them with your child's name.
 - **2 big pink erasers** for your child's pencil box. Label them with your child's name.
- **2 boxes of number 2 pencils** for the Community Supply shelf.
- **2 boxes of tissues** for our Community Supply (we go through tissues very quickly!)
- **1 box of bandaids** for our Community Supply.
- **1 roll of paper towels** for our Community Supply.
- **1 bottle of hand sanitizer** for our Community Supply.

Additional items we could use, but are not required at all, are additional wide-ruled composition notebooks, Clorox-type wipes, graph paper, dry-erase markers, extra tissues... Thanks if you can help :-)

Please, no hand-held pencil sharpeners, markers, or pens

Thank you for helping us start strong in August!

Ms. Nadia