



Dear Infant Program Families,

On behalf of the staff at Adeline Montessori School, we are happy to welcome you to our 2025-2026 school year! We are looking forward to an exciting year, ensuring your child can achieve their highest potential in the Infant Program. We know that a strong partnership with you will make a great difference to your child's time here at Adeline. As partners, we share responsibilities for your children's success. We ask that you support your child's learning by ensuring that he/she:

- Attend's school on their scheduled day
- Arrives on time
- Comes prepared for the day

Drop-off

For families arriving before 7:45, drop-off will be in the gym where before-care is held. Anyone that arrives after 7:45 can go straight to the classroom where we will begin our day. This would be a great time to chat with your child's teacher about how they slept and when they had their last feeding and diaper change.

Cubbies

All extra clothes will be in your child's blue bag located at your child's cubby. Any wet or soiled clothes will be sent back home in your provided wet bag with your child to be washed. Please be sure to replenish clothes as they are sent home. This is also where any extra items such as snacks, inside shoes, and outdoor clothing is kept.

Snack / Lunch

Children will have meals as indicated by their request or by their usual schedule. Please prepare nutritious food choices in a way that your child can eat with independence. Foods should be cut to sizes that your child can eat independently. Anything that is round (i.e., cherry tomatoes and grapes) needs to be quartered for safety reasons. The classroom has a fridge and freezer to store meals and beverages. Warm items should be sent in a thermos as we cannot warm food in the microwave at school. Plates, cups, and utensils will be provided for your child. We provide water as a beverage option during lunch. You are able to send other beverages in their lunch box

that will be given to them during lunchtime. Any food or drink that is not consumed by your child during lunch will be sent home.

Bottle fed infants will be fed based on a parent provided schedule and/or the child's needs. Bottles that are sent prepared must be labeled with the date and time of preparation, as well as the number of ounces. Prepared bottles must also indicate whether they are formula, expressed milk, or a combination. This is important as it determines how we handle the bottles in the classroom. Expressed milk can be sent bagged or bottled depending on your preference and is warmed before serving. Some families might choose to keep a frozen supply at school while other families might choose to send a supply each day. Discussing these options with your child's teacher is best.

Nap

Nap schedules are likely to change as your child grows; however, we do our best to accommodate the schedule that your child keeps at home. You are welcome to send a comfort item that does not produce sound or light. For naptime we provide a crib for our younger infants and for older infants (over the age of 1) we begin the transition from crib to a floor mat.

Pick-Up

Daily pick-up for half day families is at 12:00 p.m. and for full day families at 3:00 p.m. Pick-up will be in the classroom. This would be an appropriate time to communicate with staff about your child's day or any questions that you might have.

Infants **MUST** be picked up first. We cannot allow older children in the classroom at this time as other infants might be sleeping and it is unsafe for children to be in the hallway unsupervised.

After-Care Program

After-school care is from 3 to 5 p.m.

We look forward to working with you and your child this school year! For any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Angela at ataylor@adelinemontessori.com.

Sincerely,

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