The Grove Community School

2023-2024 CALENDAR

8/15 Teacher's First Day 8/17 Toddler Orientation 6:00pm-7:30pm 8/18 Ice Cream Social

8/21 & 22 Parent/Teacher Conferences 8/23 Student's First Day/Opening Bell

8/25 **Grove Family Potluck** 6:00pm-8:00pm

12:00pm-2:00pm

AUGUST 2023										
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1/2 Teachers Return from Break 1/3 Students Return from Break 1/15 No School/Martin Luther King Day

9/4 No school/Labor Day 9/8 Grandparents' Day

TBD Hearing & Vision Screening 9/21 International Peace Day

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2/9 Valentine's Parties
2/19 No school/ Presidents' Day

10/9 No school/ Columbus Day 10/27 Halloween Parties

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11/3 Fall Festival 6:00pm-8:00pm

11/13-17 Parent Appreciation Week 11/17 Stone Soup Day 11/20 -24 No School/Thanksgiving Break

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4/12 Talent Show/Art Exhibition
4/19 No School/Professional
Development
4/22 Earth Day
4/26 Field Day
4/22-26 Standardized Testing
(4th Grade and above)

4/29-5/5 Move-up Week

12/1 School Play
12/12 Wax Museum
12/14 Holiday Parties
12/15 Holiday Performance
12/15 Early Dismissal 11:45am
12/18-1/ 2 No School/Winter Break

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5/10 Mother's Day Celebration
5/17 Science Fair
5/27 No school/Memorial Day
5/30 Early Dismissal 11:45am
Pool Party 12:00-2:00pm
Last Day For Toddlers & Year 1 &

5/6-10 Teacher Appreciation Week

5/31 Early Dismissal 11:45am/Last Day Graduation/Move Up 8:30am

2 Early Childhood



School Event

Early Dismissal

No School - Holiday

Grove Traditions and Event Descriptions:

Toddler Orientation – Join Ms. Eddy for an overview of classroom policies and expectations.

Ice Cream Social – This is a come and go event. Stop by anytime between 12:00 and 2:00 to say hi to your teachers and peers and enjoy an ice cream sundae.

Opening Bell – Older students lead younger students on a walk around campus followed by a brief welcome ceremony.

Grove Family Potluck – Join us for a potluck picnic. Get to know the Grove staff and other Grove families. Bring a family-sized portion of your favorite dish (include an index card with an ingredient list) to share with the community. Bring picnic blankets or lawn chairs. Feel free to bring your own beverage.

International Peace Day – A quintessential Montessori element, International Peace Day was created by the UN in 1981 as "a day devoted to commemorating and strengthening the ideals of peace both within and among all nations and peoples." Students will participate in various peace-themed activities by program level.

Fall Festival – Join us for a social gathering, games, music, and s'mores! Parent Appreciation Week – Our small gesture to thank our families for being a part of our community. Stay tuned for daily gifts and tokens of appreciation.

Stone Soup Day – The day is based on a European folk story in which hungry strangers convince people to share a small amount of their food in order to make a meal that everyone enjoys. The moral of the story is about the value of sharing. Students will bring in a small bag (approximately a handful) of soup ingredients such as a small vegetable, grains, or beans. We also ask families to clean out their pantries and send in non-perishable items to be sent to a local food bank.

Crawfish Boil – Pre-order your crawfish and/or hot dogs and join us for one of our staff and families' favorite events! Feel free to bring your own beverage.

Field Day – Students will participate in various competitions including potato sack races, relays, Frisbee toss, hula-hoop and more. Parents are welcome to cheer the students on as well as participate in a few events of their own!

Earth Day – An annual event to demonstrate support for environmental protection. Students will participate in outdoor cleanup, tree planting and/or other environmentally focused activities. Teacher Appreciation Week – Celebrate your child's teachers. Send in small gifts throughout the week (handmade cards, candy, flowers, etc). Pool Party – After early dismissal, parents will bring their children to a nearby pool for snacks and swimming.

Family Visitors – Students invite a relative or special friend for a book reading or to share a craft or activity with the class. Scheduled throughout the year. If interested, contact your child's teacher to sign up for a specific date.

Community Work Day TBD – Gain an even deeper connection to the community by spending a few hours helping us with various campus improvements. Activities will vary by year but include activities like gardening, ground cleanup, minor building projects, laminating, etc.