Learn about Montessori as an alternative approach to education at the elementary level.

This Summer Institute is designed to introduce participants to an approach to education that continues more than 100 years after the first school was opened in 1907 in Rome. It will provide an overview of the philosophy and basic educational practices that are fundamental to Montessori education, placing Dr. Montessori’s work in both a contemporary and historical context, and relating her ideas to current challenges and practices in elementary schools.

Some of the topics covered include:

• the nature of the child during the elementary years
• the creation of a socio-emotional climate that supports independence and self-actualization
• self-care practice for educators and students
• the role of the Prepared Environment and the new BC curriculum

INSTRUCTORS/GUEST SPEAKERS

This summer institute will provide opportunities for participants to work with noted Montessori educators who bring a wealth of practical knowledge and strategies that will help practicing elementary Montessorians as well those who want to learn more about this alternative approach.

• Michelle Sipl
• Bonnie Caldwell
• Carolyn Sullivan
• Irma Rodriguez
• Amy Henderson
• Elizabeth (Betsy) Cole
• William (Biff) Maier