

Montessori Accreditation Council for Teacher Education (MACTE)

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NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR THIRD PARTY COMMENT

ACTION: Request for comments on institutions and programs applying to the Montessori Accreditation Council for Teacher Education (MACTE) for initial accreditation, renewal of accreditation, or extension of accreditation to substantive change.

DATES: Written, signed remarks should be sent to the address above by **November 4, 2009**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Gretchen L. Warner, Executive Director, telephone 262-898-1846, fax 262-898-1849, e-mail warner@macte.org

SUBMISSION OF THIRD-PARTY COMMENTS: The Montessori Accreditation Council for Teacher Education (MACTE) is an autonomous, international, post-secondary accrediting agency for Montessori teacher education institutions and programs. MACTE is recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education through the year 2013. MACTE accredits independent institutions which offer comprehensive certification courses, and programs or departments located within accredited colleges or universities. A Montessori teacher education certification course is defined as post-secondary instruction designed to (i) develop expertise in the education system designed by Dr. Maria Montessori, including its philosophies, teacher roles, and design of curricula and environments; (ii) assure basic knowledge of child development, including major theorists and contemporary research; and (iii) lead to certification in Montessori teaching with a specified child age range within the period from birth to age 18.

The purpose of this notice is to invite interested third parties to present written, signed comments that related to the MACTE *Essential Standards and Criteria* concerning the institutions and programs listed in this notice. Comments received in response to this notice will be reviewed by MACTE as part of the evaluation of the institution's or program's compliance with the *Essential Standards and Criteria*. In order for MACTE to give full consideration to any comments received, they must arrive at the address listed above **no later than November 4, 2009**.

The following institutions and programs will be reviewed during the November 10-12, 2009 MACTE Commission meeting. Certification course level is shown in italics following each institution's or program's name.

Applicants for Initial Accreditation

- 1. Heritage House Montessori Center, *Early Childhood***, 11, Jibowu Street, Jibowu, Yaba, Lagos, Nigeria. Director: Adebola Atoyebi.
- 2. Rainbow Montessori Teacher Training, *Early Childhood***, 1160 Maitland Avenue, Ottawa K2C 202, Ontario, Canada. Director: Agata Attersoll.
- 3. Shelton Montessori Teacher Education Center, *Elementary I***, 15720 Hillcrest Rd., Dallas, TX 75248. Director: Dr. Joyce Pickering.

Applicants for Renewal of Accreditation

- 1. Atlanta Montessori Teacher Education, *Early Childhood***, 488 Hurt Rd., Smyrna, GA 30082. Director: Barbara Moffitt.
- 2. Center for Contemporary Montessori Programs, *Early Childhood, Elementary I, Elementary I-II***, St. Catherine College, 2004 Randolph Ave., Mail #4100, St. Paul, MN 55104. Director: Michael Dorer.
- 3. Columbus Montessori Teacher Education Program, *Early Childhood***, 979 S. James Road, Columbus, OH 43227. Director: Josephine Ripke.
- 4. Florida Institute of Montessori Studies, *Early Childhood, Elementary I***, 1240 Banana River Dr., Indian Harbour Beach, FL 32937. Director: Cynthia Thomas.
- 5. Montessori Teacher Academy/Indiana University, *Early Childhood***, 530 E. Day Rd., Mishawaka, IN 46545. Director: Julie Gabrielse.
- 6. Montessori Teachers College - Sacramento, *Early Childhood***, 4718 Engle Rd., Carmichael, CA 95608. Director: Cherie Gardner Cooney.
- 7. Montessori Training Center of Minnesota, *Early Childhood***, 683 Dodd Rd., St. Paul, MN 55107. Director: Molly O'Shaughnessy.
- 8. NCME/Houston, *Early Childhood***, 5812 Maple St., Houston, TX 77074. Director: My Le Vo.
- 9. New England Montessori Teacher Education Center, *Early Childhood***, 30 Moose Club Rd., Goffstown, NH 03045. Director: Bonnie LaMothe.

10. PAMS/Kennesaw State University, *Early Childhood*, Bagwell College of Education, Box 9104, Bldg. Town Point 3391, 1000 Chastain rd., Kennesaw, GA 30144-5591. Director: Dr. Feland Meadows.

11. Saint Mary's College of CA. Montessori Teacher Education Program, *Early Childhood and Elementary I&II*, 1928 St. Mary's Rd., Moraga, CA 94575-4350. Director: Patricia Chambers.

Applicants for Extension of Accreditation to Substantive Change

1. Barry University Montessori Teacher Education Program, *Early Childhood and Elementary I-II*, 11300 N.E. 2nd Ave., Miami Shores, FL 33161. Change of Faculty/Director. Director: Dr. Ijya Tulloss.

2. Center for Contemporary Montessori Programs, *Early Childhood, Elementary I and Elementary I-II*, College of St. Catherine, 2004 Randolph Ave., Mail #4100, St. Paul, MN 55104. Change in Legal Name. Director: Michael Dorer.

3. The Center for Guided Montessori Studies, *Early Childhood additional location only*, 2400 Miguel Bay Dr., P.O. Box 267, Terra Ceia, FL 34250. Change in Time Structure. Director: Kitty Bravo

4. The Center for Guided Montessori Studies, *Early Childhood additional location only*, 2400 Miguel Bay Dr., P.O. Box 267, Terra Ceia, FL 34250. Additional location in Sarasota, FL. Director: Kitty Bravo.

5. Center for Montessori Teacher Education/NY, *Early Childhood*, 785 Mamaroneck Ave., White Plains, NY 10605. Additional location in Cranberry Tnp, PA . Director: Carole Wolfe Korngold.

6. Etonkids Montessori Teacher Training Academy, *Early Childhood*, Palm Springs #8, Chaoyang Park South Rd., Chaoyang Dist., Beijing, 100026, China. Change of Faculty/Director. Director: Charmaine Soh.

7. Etonkids Montessori Teacher Training Academy, *Early Childhood*, Palm Springs #8, Chaoyang Park South Rd., Chaoyang Dist., Beijing, 100026, China. Relocation of Permanent Location. Director: Charmaine Soh.

8. Institute for Guided Studies, *Elementary II*, 12-A Montessori Way, Camden, SC. 29020. Additional Contract Location in Eden, UT. Director: Mary Helen Cline.

9. Institute for Guided Studies, *Early Childhood, Elementary I*, 12-A Montessori Way, Camden, SC 29020, Relocation of Additional Locations in Murray, UT and Eden, UT. Director: Mary Helen Cline.

- 10. Institute for Guided Studies, *Elementary I***, 12-A Montessori Way, Camden, SC 29020, Additional Contract Location in Gray Court, SC. Director: Mary Helen Cline.
- 11. Institute for Guided Studies, *Infant and Toddler***, 12-A Montessori Way, Camden, SC 29020, Additional Contract Location in Hilton Head, SC. Director: Mary Helen Cline.
- 12. Lander University Montessori Teacher Education Program, *Early Childhood***, 320 Stanley Ave., CPO Box 6011, Greenville, SC 29649, Additional Location in Swansea, SC. Director: Barbara Ervin.
- 13. Montessori Institute for Teacher Education, *Early Childhood, Infant and Toddler***, One Middleton Dr., Wilmington, DE 19808, Change in faculty/Co Director. Director: Karen Pontrelli.
- 14. Montana Montessori Teacher Education, *Early Childhood***, 5 Parkhill Rd., Kalispell, MT 59901, Additional Location in Boise, ID. Director: Sally Black Welder, Terry Welder.
- 15. Montessori Centre International/Denver, *Early Childhood***, 9351 E. Arbor Dr., Englewood, CO 80111, Change in Time Structure. Director: Punum Bhatia.
- 16. Montessori Opportunities, Inc., *Elementary I***, 2950 Ridge Rd. North, Norwalk, OH 44857, Additional contract location in South Bend, IN. Director: Peter and Rosann Larrow.
- 17. Montessori Teachers College - Sacramento, *Early Childhood, Elementary I-II, Elementary I***, 4718 Engle Rd., Carmichael, CA 95608, Change in Ownership. Director: Cherie Gardner Cooney.
- 18. Montessori Teachers College - Sacramento, *Early Childhood, Elementary I-II, Elementary I***, 4718 Engle Rd., Carmichael, CA 95608, Change in Legal Name. Director: Cherie Gardner Cooney.
- 19. Montessori Teachers College - Sacramento, *Early Childhood, Elementary I-II, Elementary I***, 4718 Engle Rd., Carmichael, CA 95608, Change in Director. Director: Cherie Gardner Cooney.
- 20. Montessori Teachers College of San Diego, *Early Childhood, Elementary I-II, Elementary I***, 4544 Pochontas Ave., San Diego, CA 92117, Change in Legal Name. Director: Lo Ann Jundt.
- 21. Montessori Training Center of Minnesota, *Early Childhood***, 683 Dodd Rd., St. Paul, MN 55107, Relocation of Permanent Site. Director: Molly O'Shaughnessy.

Applicants for Deferral of Extension of Accreditation

- 1. Canadian Montessori Teacher Education Institute, *Early Childhood***, Abacus Montessori School, 200 Front St. W, Toronto, Ontario, M5V Canada, Additional location in Winnipeg, Manitoba. Director: Daniel Jutras.
- 2. Canadian Montessori Teacher Education Institute, *Early Childhood***, Abacus Montessori School, 200 Front St. W, Toronto, Ontario, M5V Canada, Additional location in Tavernier, FL. Director: Daniel Jutras.
- 3. Montessori Teacher Education Center – San Francisco Bay Area, *Early Childhood***, 16492 Foothill Blvd., San Leandro, CA 94578-2105, Additional location in Taipei, Taiwan. Director: Dr. Pamela Zell Rigg.
- 4. Southwestern Montessori Training Center, *Early Childhood***, P.O. Box 310947 N.T. Station, Denton, TX 76203, Mobile location in Marrero, LA. Director: Sandi McDonald-West.
- 5. Southwestern Montessori Training Center, *Elementary I-II***, P.O. Box 310947 N.T. Station, Denton, TX 76203, Mobile location in Kenner, LA. Director: Sandi McDonald-West.

Reconsideration Hearings for Initial Accreditation

- 1. Montessori of Alameda TEC, *Early Childhood, Infant and Toddler***, 4210 NE Going, Portland, OR 97218. Director: Tammy Kennedy.
- 2. Washington Montessori Teacher Education Program, *Secondary I***, 240 Litchfield Turnpike, New Preston, CT 06777. Director: Sheila Coad-Bernard.