**Affiliated Schools**

**An Affiliated school is a school that has met the criteria to participate and is part of the CCMA community. The school is not engaged with the CCMA Accreditation process.**

**Affiliated Schools shall meet the following criteria:**

1. licensed by the appropriate provincial licensing authority;
2. meeting all relevant building, health, safety, and fire codes and carrying appropriate insurance;
3. guided by the educational philosophy of Dr. Maria Montessori;
4. abiding by the CCMA Code of Ethics;
5. employing Montessori trained teachers;
6. ensuring that its classes feature core Montessori materials;
7. open to the concept that learning is a social process and have some multi-age groupings in their school dynamic;
8. valuing an uninterrupted work cycle for the development of focus; and
9. engaging in professional development regarding Montessori pedagogy and the running of a Montessori school.

**Affiliate Benefits**

1. participate in professional development programs hosted by CCMA;
2. attend meetings of CCMA, including the annual general meeting, as non-voting observers;
3. have its name and location listed on the CCMA website as an Affiliated School;
4. join the CCMA e-mail distribution list, giving it access to educational resources and pedagogical information; and
5. to the extent permitted by CCMA’s insurers, participate in the MySchool Insurance program or other

CCMA group benefit insurance programs.

**Advertising and Marketing**

The School shall be entitled to use the following statement on its website and other promotional materials:

“Our school is an Affiliated School with the Canadian Council of Montessori Administrators, CCMA, which allows us to participate in professional development, make connections with the greater Montessori community and promote the life-long benefits for every child of Montessori education in Canada. Our school is not currently part of the CCMA accreditation process.”

**Annual Affiliation Fee**

The School shall pay an annual affiliation fee to CCMA of $500, plus $100 for each additional campus if the School has multiple campuses.

CCMA will contact the school to review and confirm acceptance.