

Dear New Families,

**Welcome to Room 1329!** My name is Mary Beth Hill and I will be your child's teacher next year. We are happy your child will be joining our community. It is one that nurtures a very caring and compassionate environment where everyone matters, is valued, respected, and recognizes their responsibility in the classroom.

A little about me...

I am grateful to call Dater Montessori my home. I'm native to the west-side, but live in Guilford, Indiana with my husband Tim, Grace, our mini golden-doodle, and have three grown children, 25, 23, and 21. You will surely hear about my proud momma moments with my oldest Elizabeth, my middle son Ethan, who just graduated from college, and my youngest daughter Rachel, who will be a senior in college this fall. My heart will always be a west-sider and I don't mind my drive to and from school every day to be part of the Dater Montessori community. It's an amazing community to be part of. During my free time, I cherish my family time, enjoy cooking, gardening, crafting, and spending time outdoors with nature. We're also huge soccer fans, too.

I'm privileged to have Gabby Martinear supporting me as my paraprofessional. She is an incredible partner and woman, and a wonderful mother of 4 children, ages 20, 18, 12, & 5. Gabby has a beautiful mama-bear heart and a gentle, yet firm spirit, and enjoys cooking and dancing in her free time. She has a wonderful sense of humor, so between her and the children, I am guaranteed to have a laugh every day.

The supply list is enclosed. Please **do not** put any names on school supplies except for the art bag and headphone bag. We will take care of labeling as needed.

We look forward to meeting all of you and working collaboratively as a team as your child goes through his/her important Montessori 6-9 learning experience. Enjoy the rest of your summer and I look forward to meeting you soon! Please mark your calendar for Tuesday, August 22, at 6:00-7:00 for our Parent Information Night.

Here's to a great school year!

Respectfully,  
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