

May 20,2022

Dear Parents,

Welcome to room 1114 and the 2022-2023 school year at Dater Montessori. I am very excited about beginning the new school year.

I would like to introduce myself to the new families. My name is Megan Hodge and I have been teaching for 26 years- 23 years at Dater Montessori. I obtained my bachelor's degree in Montessori Education from Xavier University. I started working in a private Montessori school for the first three years of my teaching and that is where I got my foundation for Montessori. I have only been a 3-6 year old Montessori teacher. I could not imagine teaching anything else. I did go back to Xavier to get my master's degree in administration- so someday I might want to become a principal.

I live in Westwood with my husband Brent and my three children. My oldest- Owen will be a junior at LaSalle. Agnes- my middle child- will be a freshman at SCPA where she plays the flute and the sax, and Everett (Evi) will be a 2nd grader here at Dater. My husband Brent is a visual designer by trade, but also is a sub here at the school. Dater Montessori is really a big part of our life. ☺

Also in my family I have three cats and two dogs. I'm sure I'll have some other kind of animal soon. My children love different kind of animals. I have had a leopard gecko, box turtle and snake just to name a few.

We live in Westwood and I really enjoy living in the area that I teach in. If you see me around don't hide, I'm always happy to say hello!!!

The other teacher in our classroom is Miss Clarissa. She just got married last year and loves coffee, pizza, star wars and making very yummy cookies. We have been teaching together for 4 years and we make a great team. This classroom is very lucky to have her and I'm lucky to also have her as a friend.

On Monday August 15 we will have a new parent orientation from 6:30-7:30. This is a **PARENT ONLY** event. This is a great time for you to come in a see the classroom and talk about all the drop off and different procedures for the year. Please do not bring your child at this time.

We will be getting new administration so we are waiting to hear word of other times that your child will be able to see his/her classroom.

I would also like to have a picnic so that I can meet the children and the children can meet the other kids in their class. I will send out an invite early August so please look for it. We usually have the picnic at Harvest Home Park sometime in the evening.

If you need to reach me before school starts here is my contact information:
hodgeme@cpsboe.k12.oh.us (this is my school e-mail) and my cell number is- 513-305-5664 (Just leave a message and I'll get back as soon as I can)

The 2022-2023 school year is guaranteed to be a fun, exciting, and a very successful year. I can't wait to begin exploring, learning and discovering with "our" children!!!

Welcome to Room 1114 and Dater Montessori

Sincerely,

Megan Hodge

