

3 ½ to 5 ½ years

Our students are exposed to a rich experience that nourishes their curiosity and creativity at a higher level to challenge the advanced learner. Our Montessori Pre-school & "Challenger" programs help to stimulate each child's physical, social, emotional, and intellectual needs in a pleasant classroom environment, which is also conducive for acquiring a positive learning experience and laying a solid educational foundation. At Liberty, each child is able to progress at his/her own pace in a non-competitive, non-threatening atmosphere.

Through well-organized Practical Life exercises, children develop control of movements, coordination, concentration, sense of order and independence. The Sensorial materials used in our classrooms have been designed to help as well as to develop concentration, attention span and self-discipline, and purposeful movement in assisting muscular coordination. Refinement of these are crucial for gaining the ability to successfully complete a cycle of activity.

Math materials used in the classrooms sharpen children's thinking and help them to make their own abstractions and to reveal the facts and concepts of mathematics, its esthetics and logic. Language development is encouraged through freedom of conversation. Various books, games, matching pictures and tracing materials are provided to reinforce reading and writing skills. In science, exercises and hands-on programs encourage students to explore and investigate on a regular basis. To promote creativity in art, our students are given opportunities to experiment with different mediums of color, texture, collages, and draw with crayons, paints and brushes, as well as to work with clay, pastels, and origami. Cultural themes, traditional and modern dances are incorporated into monthly activities throughout the school year to enhance the children's listening abilities, movement and spatial awareness skills and also to motivate their interests in other cultures.