



# WEST SIDE MONTESSORI

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## Upcoming Events

### Tuesday, Nov. 26

- Perrysburg Giving Celebration  
8:30-11 a.m.
- Pioneer Day  
9-11 a.m. (LE Bluebird)
- Toledo Children's House Sing-a-Long (Toledo Campus Commons)  
10:45-11:15 a.m.
- LE Cardinal Thanksgiving Lunch  
11:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.
- Upper Elementary Heritage Luncheon (Karner Blue & Monarch)  
11:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.

### Nov. 27-29

NO SCHOOL/  
NO CHILD  
CARE



### Monday, Dec. 2

Teacher Work Day

NO SCHOOL/NO CHILD CARE



### Thursday, Dec. 5

- Pizza Day (CH-6)
- **First Thursday: What Is All This Stuff in My Child's Backpack?**  
8:45-9:30 a.m.

### Friday, Dec. 6 & Saturday, Dec. 7

Learning Express Sylvania Shopping FUNdraiser  
(10 a.m. - 8 p.m.)

Attached flier is required at time of purchase

### Tuesday, Dec. 10

Toledo Campus Coffee & Conversation (8:30-9:30 a.m.)

Nov. 25, 2013

## Children's House Project Helps Local Ronald McDonald House

The Toledo Children's House classrooms at West Side Montessori are learning about kindness and helping others by collecting travel-sized toiletries to donate to the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Northwest Ohio. A representative of Ronald McDonald House will receive the 100 assembled toiletry bags at the **Thanks and Giving Celebration and sing-a-long on Tuesday, Nov. 26, beginning at 10:45 a.m.**

Each of the four Children's House classrooms had a specific wish list comprised of 100 personal items that will benefit the families utilizing the services provided by Ronald McDonald House Charities. The items collected were: disposable razors and shaving cream cans; individual toothbrushes

and toothpaste; individual shampoo and conditioner bottles; and combs or brushes and individual deodorants. In addition, each classroom will be donating a fleece blanket to a child at Toledo Children's Hospital.



Once all the toiletries were collected by the classrooms, the West Side Montessori kindergarten students put their math skills to the test. The 800 items were divided into groups of four, which allows each classroom to prepare 25 bags containing each toiletry item collected.

## A Season To Give

Thank you so much for all the gifts that have been given to our Annual Fund — **Unrestricted Possibilities**. To date, more than \$29,500 has been raised, and as a team we have reached more than 50% of our \$50,000 goal.

Donations are already being put to use. Four trails have been carved throughout our tree-lined property on the Toledo campus. Students at all



levels will enjoy botany and science exploration in our own private woods. This addition is part of the natural playground progression and was close to \$5,000 to install. We have also been able to send several teachers to national conferences covering topics that include science, social skills, and world languages. Combined, these conferences were close to \$3,000.

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# WSM Dancers in Area Nutcracker Performances

The tradition of the Nutcracker ballet in Toledo continues this holiday season and West Side Montessori students, past and present, will be dancing across the stages in several upcoming performances. A total of seven current students and three graduates have a variety of roles. Below is a list of dancers and performance times and locations. The grade level or graduation year is in parentheses.



### Ballet Theatre of Toledo

Nov. 29-30 at 7 p.m.

Dec. 1 at 2 p.m.

Valentine Theatre

Emelie Wagner (6)

*Lead Mouse*

### Perrysburg Dance Academy

Dec. 7 at 2 p.m. & 5 p.m.

Maumee Performing Arts Center

Maumee High School

Chianna Kujawa (3)

Rebecca Martin (6)

### Toledo Ballet

Dec. 14 at 2 p.m. & 7 p.m.

Dec. 15 at 2 p.m.

Stranahan Theater

Jude Lingan (2)

*Cheesecart Mouse*

Audra Summers (2)

*Mouse*

Claire Summers (4)

*Mouse*

Chloe Bergman (5)

*Big Angel*

Katherine Bauer ('13)

*Flower and Chocolate Dancer*

Jada Boles ('12)

*Lead Tea, Snow, and Flower*

Emily Cihon ('12)

*Flower and Chocolate Dancer*

*Chloe Bergman (pictured in the white jacket) walked in the annual Toledo Holiday Parade for the Toledo Ballet along with the Nutcracker balloon.*

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## Thank You!

WSM Middle School students want to thank **everyone** who supported the Poinsettia sale and the Buy Local Sale last week. It was great to see so many West Side Montessori families support the students and local vendors.



## Learning Express

### West Side Montessori PACC

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## A Season To Give

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Let's keep the momentum going! **#GivingTuesday™** is a movement to create a national day of giving to kick-off the giving season. It was added to the calendar on the Tuesday following Thanksgiving, Black Friday, and Cyber Monday. It celebrates and encourages charitable activities that support non-profit organizations. On Tuesday, Dec. 3, you can use the **Give Now** button on the West Side Montessori website to make a contribution to our campaign. You can also **download** and print a donation form from the website.

We are raising funds to continue enhancements on our natural playground, provide academic discovery opportunities for our students and teachers, and launch Phase II of our school website which will create a more interactive page for families to stay connected to WSM.

Thank you for all the gifts that have been given. Every gift, regardless of size, will have an impact on our current and futures students at WSM.

## Children's House First Thursday Topic "What Is All This Stuff in My Child's Backpack?"

**First Thursday** is a monthly parent education program presented by the Children's House teachers from 8:45-9:30 a.m. at both the Toledo and Perrysburg campuses. The December program will be held on **Thursday, Dec. 5**, and the topic will be "What Is All This Stuff in My Child's Backpack?"

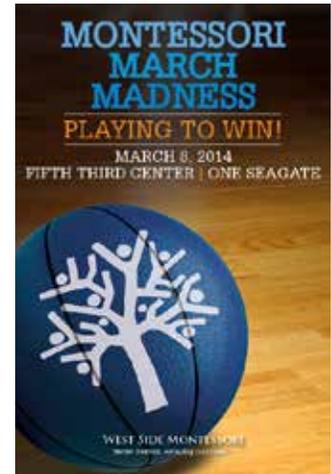
## Montessori March Madness Wish List

The Spring Fundraiser Committee appreciates the continued support from our West Side Montessori families in donating items to previous spring fundraisers. With the generosity of our friends and family, including area businesses, we are able to raise additional funds to support our goal of campus improvements and the tuition assistance program.

Periodically, we will ask our families to consider ways to promote and grow our fundraiser through personal donations or requesting donations from businesses and individuals they may know.

Below are possible ideas on auction items for this year's event, Montessori March Madness. If you have additional ideas to add to the auction list, we would love to hear them. Please email ideas to [rhandel@wsmctoledo.org](mailto:rhandel@wsmctoledo.org).

- ✓ Donations of vacation homes or time shares – ski resorts, tropical locations, lake cottages, etc.
- ✓ Terrific experiences – fishing trips, box seats at a sporting event, Ohio State packages, University of Toledo, BGSU, Michigan, Mud Hens, Walleye, etc.

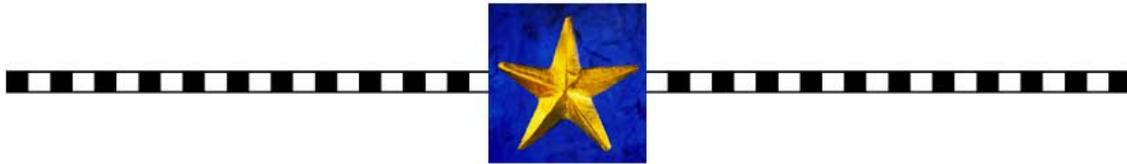


- ✓ Home parties – Do you love to cook & are willing to host a dinner at your home? For example – clam bakes, international themed menus, etc.

Please click **HERE** to view the item donation form and sponsorship forms. If you feel you can help, fill out the form and send to the Toledo Campus office. Contact Roberta Handel at (419) 866-1931 or [rhandel@wsmctoledo.org](mailto:rhandel@wsmctoledo.org) with questions or suggestions.

Again, thank you for your continued support of the Spring Fundraiser!

*The 2014 Spring Fundraiser Committee*



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