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# WEST SIDE MONTESSORI

## The Inside Story

June 3, 2013

### Congratulations to Class of 2013!



Congratulations to the West Side Montessori graduating class of 2013! Here is the second installment of 8th grade features to learn about this group of students' plans for the future and their favorite WSM moments. Graduation is Thursday, June 6, beginning at 7 p.m. at the Toledo Campus.

#### Sadie Kaplan

Sadie started at West Side Montessori in Kindergarten when she was five years old. She plays the guitar and is involved in Friendship Circle, a program



where teenage volunteers work with kids who have special needs. Sadie also participated in Gliding Stars, a program to help kids who have special needs learn to skate. During Middle School, she participated in Math Counts and Power of the Pen.

Sadie's favorite experiences in Middle School were the Washington D.C. trip, dissecting a pig for science, and learning about our ancestors in preparation for Immigration Day.

Sadie will attend Notre Dame Academy in the fall. She believes that her Montessori education has taught her public speaking skills, creativity, and the ability to express herself.

"Through the years, I have been able to discover my opinions and

views, all within a comfortable and understanding environment," said Sadie.

In the future, Sadie would like to work for a non-profit organization to promote equal rights for all.

Her advice for younger West Side students is to take risks and have no regrets.

#### Brennor Masters

Brennor started in WSM's Little House in the Buttercup Room. While at West Side, he participated in karate, Destination Imagination, and Power of the Pen. His favorite subject was always social studies.

Brennor will attend Maumee Valley Country Day School in the fall. He feels his Montessori education has prepared him for high school.



"In high school, I will have to write a ton, and West Side has helped me learn how to write papers," said Brennor. His goal after high school is to continue learning

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### Upcoming Events

#### Wednesday, June 5

Toledo Kindergarten French Sing-A-Long  
2:15-3:15 p.m.

#### Thursday, June 6

- UE Culture Open House  
1:30-3 p.m.
- Eighth Grade Graduation  
7 p.m. (Toledo Commons)

#### Friday, June 7

#### Last Day of School

- Lower Elementary Field Day  
9-11 a.m.



**Wednesday, June 12  
through Friday, Aug. 2  
Register Today!**

### Connect With Us Online



[montessoritoledo.org](http://montessoritoledo.org)



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## Toledo Voted and West Side Montessori is the Best Pre-school!

It's official - West Side Montessori is the Best Pre-school according to the Toledo Area Parent Family Favorites 2012 Contest. West Side was named the winner in the publication's annual Family Favorites survey. This is the fifth time that West Side Montessori has won this honor.

The awards don't stop there - West Side Montessori's summer camp, *Summer at West Side*, was named first runner up for Best Summer Day Camp. This is the fifth time that *Summer at West Side* has been recognized as one of the top two summer day camps in the area.

See what folks are talking about and register your child for West Side's camp. Click [here](#) to view the list of camps available. Or call (419) 866-1931 for more information on the interactive and fun weekly themes that have been designed to challenge and stimulate your child over the summer months.

Check out the June edition of **Toledo Area Parent** to read the official announcement.

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about technology and programming.

Brennor's advice for younger WSM students is to always pay attention and to learn all the different ways to do the work.

### Adam Richards

Adam started at West Side Montessori when he was 11 months old. He participated in karate, Cub Scouts, Destination Imagination, and MathCounts while at WSM. Outside of school, Adam has achieved Life Rank in Boy Scouts and is on track to earning his Eagle Scout. His favorite subject is history.

Adam will attend St. John's Jesuit High School in the fall. He feels his Montessori education has prepared him to be a good writer for high school. After high school, Adam plans to attend college.

His advice for younger West Side students is to try to do a variety of things.



### Drew Wagner

Drew started at West Side Montessori at four years old. He participated in karate, Cub Scouts, Destination Imagination, Middle School Community Band, and Power of the Pen. Outside of school, Drew studied piano and played soccer. His favorite Middle School experience was the Washington D.C. trip last fall.



Drew will attend St. John's Jesuit High School in the fall. He believes his Montessori education has prepared him to manage his time and to give his best effort in everything, including presentations, research papers, and public speaking skills. After high school he plans to go to college to study architecture or marine biology.

Drew's advice for younger WSM students is to turn your work in on time and to enjoy your time at West Side, even though it is very short.

### Alex Whitacre

Alex has been at West Side Montessori since pre-school. She participated in karate and Power of the Pen through WSM. Outside of school, she was active in dance, guitar, and ice skating. Alex said she liked almost every class and experience in school but also enjoyed the experiences outside school such as camp and class trips.

Alex will attend Maumee Valley Country Day School in the fall. She feels Montessori has prepared her in every way she can think of, including how to plan when the work is due.

"The most valuable lesson that I have been taught is to help others in and out of school," said Alex.

Following high school, she plans to go to college and follow her passion to get a job she loves.

Alex's advice for younger WSM students is to, "cherish every moment at West Side, and explore every possible opportunity that is offered to you."



## Boys Discuss How to “Be the ONE”

The Upper Elementary boys wrapped up a 10-week session of Boys Lunch Group with school counselor, Susan Nahhas, with a special lunch celebration! During these weekly lunch gatherings, the boys were challenged to “Be the ONE” that would:

- Stand up for what is right
- Choose a “Win-Win” day
- Take responsibility for their actions
- Say “I’m sorry” and really mean it by changing behavior when needed
- Not “kidding” when there is a sharp edge or any unkindness – it’s not funny or it hurts



Susan commented that it has been such a pleasure working with Upper Elementary students! She is looking forward to next year!

## Parents’ Corner



### Swim & Run event

for athletes ages 7-15

Saturday, June 8 at Olander Park

For more info visit:

[www.eliteendeavors.com](http://www.eliteendeavors.com)

### Toledo Football Academy Summer Soccer Camps

For ages 5-8 • Boys & Girls

July 22-24 from 6-7:30 p.m.

at Schneider Fields

Cost: \$45 per player

To register, visit:

[www.toledofootballacademy.org](http://www.toledofootballacademy.org)

Other soccer camps are available for boys ages 9 and up. Details available online.

## Children’s Theatre Workshop Offers Four Performance Camps

The Children’s Theatre Workshop is offering four different performance opportunities this summer. Registration forms are available in the Toledo Campus lobby (*by the childcare book*) or online at [www.childrenstheaterworkshop.org](http://www.childrenstheaterworkshop.org).

- Musical Theatre Camp presents Roald Dahl’s “Willy Wonka” for ages 10-18, including a musical theatre intensive camp beginning June 10
- “Attack of the Giant Grasshoppers” by Robert Swift will be the production for ages 6-9 from June 24-28
- “Arlecchino and the City of Love” by Lorraine Thompson is a play for ages 10-12 from July 15-19
- “A Dragon in the Mix” by Sue Ann Gunn is the final production for ages 6-9 from Aug. 5-9

## UE Hosts Culture Open House

Thursday, June 6 • 1:30-3 p.m.

Come join us for an afternoon of culture! The fifth and sixth Level children have been studying culture and the components that make up a culture. In small groups, they have created their own island and developed aspects of its culture. Fourth level children have been researching different ancient cultures based on the 15 characteristics of a civilization. The children would like to share their work by inviting you to an Open House in the Upper Elementary classroom. We hope you will be able to join us!

## UE Class Recognized By Toledo Art Museum

The Upper Elementary class has been selected to receive a Best Class Nomination from the Toledo Museum of Art docents for the January-March touring period.

The docents said, “Your group was delightful, engaged, very bright, and well behaved...Their answers were well thought out and showed great perception.”

Congratulations to everyone!

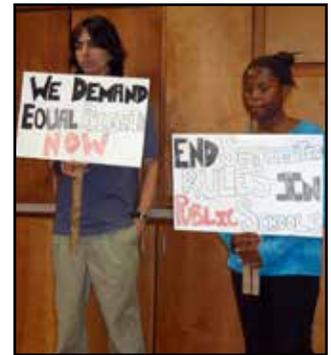
## Unclaimed Lost & Found Donated June 7

Missing a shoe, sock, or coat from your child’s backpack? Each campus has a Lost & Found box located in a common area to look for those missing items. All unclaimed items at the end of the day on Friday, June 7, will be donated to charity.

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## Snapshots from Middle School Spring Project

Featuring interactive demonstrations and presentations from language arts, history, math and science.



## Snapshots from Kindergarten Field Day

Assisted by 7th level students

