

REVIEWS FEATURED ON



"The school - especially Ms. Barias - are fantastic. Our first one graduated this summer and we are sending out second one here in the fall!"

~Mala W

"This is my favorite Montessori school by far. My daughter has been attending this school since she was two years old, and she's graduating this year. She's reading at first grade level currently and doing some very impressive math for this age. So two thumbs up for her teacher Ms. O.

The Montessori methods is no doubt the best for building a solid foundation. My daughter seems to enjoy learning while "playing" with the Montessori materials. Her teacher is very patient and gives a lot of attention to all the kids in her class to make sure everyone is learning through the Montessori class materials.

I've been to a few Montessori schools before I decided to put my daughter in the Edgewater location. They are by far the best Montessori school in the area. The teachers here are very experienced with kids. The assistants are very polite and caring. The whole place is very well managed. It is a great place for my child to learn not only the academics, but also how to be a well mannered and well behaved kid.

Two thumbs up for the director at the Edgewater Apple Montessori for keeping this well managed. The price is very fair comparing to some of the private schools in NJ. Just keep in mind that teachers are human, NOT magical creatures that can turn any kid into little angels with a snap of a finger."

~Ting T

"My daughter started at AMS at age 4 and making progress ever since. She has always had a brain that absorbs everything like a sponge and this is the best school to be. This school has variety of teaching materials and activities to please my daughter's curiosity. She started only knowing the abc song, and after a year now she loves to read and add/subtract!

Teachers are very friendly. They are very attentive and kneel down to students level to talk to them.

Class is rather large (30 kids) but I always see at least 3 teachers in care per class. The only concern I have is assistant teachers rotate between classes and schools a lot so kids get confused sometimes.

I love the 'Tadpole' program they use to send me pictures of how my daughter is doing during the day. Every year the school has 'International Day'. Students learn about different countries of the world. It involved singing, dancing and trying out different foods! Fun!! My daughter understands and enjoys diversity.

This school has a great well rounded program, not just academic but also learning about kindness, sharing, keeping clean and being active.

"After school care is a great help for working parents. This gives me enough time to finish work and pick my daughter up knowing that she stays happy and never bored.!"

~M K

"My daughter loves going to Apple Montessori! She can write her name at the age of 3,5(!), which I consider is something progressive for a child at this age; can play with herself and clean up toys after playing, sings a lot of different songs about Christmas, Halloween etc.; she loves to color and does it very good for her age(compared to her friend who is 3 days later and goes to a Russian day care)! Also, she has a lovely teacher-Ms.Rivera, whom we know quite a time, and she loves her every child in the class and does everything that she can do to teach kids more but by little steps. Yes, the price maybe not for everyone, but it is worth if you want your child to have a challenge and talk to you in complete sentences by age of 5, or maybe earlier if you are English speaking family. But as multi-language family, the whole family and friends are amazed with my daughters songs, writing, and things she would only learn in Apple Montessori!"

~Natali

"Our son started Apple Montessori of Edgewater at age 2 since last year and we notice a big improvement in his behavior. Everyday he is becoming more independent, patient and sociable. Which is what our initial objective was when we enrolled him. We are impressed at how he can do addition and subtraction. He is now expert at doing puzzle which is his favorite. He recognizes words and does sound off with every words he sees. Thanks to his teacher Ms Ortiz for her extra effort in being patient with him all along. She is very sweet and truly wonderful with everyone in the class."

~Carmela

"Ms. Ortiz has been fantastic with our child. We have seen a significant amount of development since enrolling her at Edgewater Montessori. They are attentive, compassionate and fantastic educators."

~Jim D

"My daughter Ella has been going to summer camp here 3 days a week and so far these guys have their act together. Its also big shoes to fill because my daughter attends another program that she LOVES! So far Apple Montessori Has been jam packed with activities for the kids from swimming to cooking. I am also VERY happy with the fact that all the camp counselors seem to know my daughter and really pay attention to the things she likes. We plan on attending the program part time in September and hope its this good."

~Avalene

"My son started at AMS Edgewater at 2.5 yrs old and he is now a pre-K. What I like about AMS is how they tailor the curriculum to fit your specific child's needs and the exposure to different activities, like cooking, music, art, and Fastracks, that helps the children to be well rounded and wouldn't otherwise be exposed to at such a young age. My son loves learning in Fastracks....everyday he beams about learning how and why things sink or float and how electricity works and also it teaches him at a young age confidence to do public speaking. But learning in AMS isn't only about accelerated math and language skills, they are dedicated in teaching the children values of being respectful, kind and honest, which will only help them to become mature and responsible adults and I am thankful for this."

~Kaye F

"Both my 4yo daughter and 3 yo son have been attending the edgewater location for the past 7 months and they couldn't be happier. Their teachers and the assistants are extremely loving and very patient, which means the world to a working mom. Im always impressed by how much they are learning and absorbing at Apple. My 4yo is learning so much more than she would be if she were home. She is learning how to write, the pronunciation of the letters in the alphabet and so much more. I have nothing but positive things to say about the teachers at the school. They also keep you updated on what is taking place at school via pictures of you child working and a description of the days activities. I find this extremely helpful so that I can talk to my children about their day. I know what they have done so I dont have to rely only on what they remember. Its a great way to feel included and communicate with your child."

~Laurie M

"The school organizes various fun events to invite parents' participation in class, which I'm very impressed. Teachers and staffs have been very nice too!"

~Nina L

"My friend recommended this school that her own boy was attending for months and she was raving about it. I must say I am really happy that I finally listened and put my kid in the same school. My experience so far has been nothing but great. Ms Rivera has been absolutely amazing with my boy that wasn't communicating clearly at that age and - though I would say that was cute to hear-, I really wanted him to get along with the other kids and participate more in class. I have been surprised many times of the things he would learn, such as him writing his own name when I could barely make him write a letter at home. So far my work as a parent has been easier because the teacher is so great. Parents are already on an extremely busy schedule, and any help is greatly appreciated. I am warmly recommending this school!"

~Nela G

"I have 2 children at the Apple Montessori School in Edgewater, and I must say it was the best decision I ever made. Prior to joining the school my eldest daughter who was 5 at the time had a very hard time sleeping and had little interest in eating. In my opinion this was based on such little stimulation through out her day at her daycare/preschool. Once we moved to AMS, she became a different child. Her habits began to change, and she was so stimulated that she was sleeping better, eating better. The children are taught a wide range of skills from practical life, to reading and math. They even learn leadership skills and how to be independent. Now in kindergarten, my daughter is practicing skills that will prepare her for not just addition and subtraction, but the fundamental concepts for multiplication and division. This is not something you would see in another school. Additionally, the staff does show they really care for all the children. In the evening, I can't ever get my 2 children to get their jackets on to go home. I am very confident that my children are learning beyond what they would at another school and they are being given the care I want for my children as a full time working mother who can't always be there. Ms. Lynch and Ms. Barias have been wonderful, as well as the rest of the staff. We love them all!"

~Vanessa V

"The Montessori method provides children the opportunity to flourish in the educational environment. Apple Montessori of Edgewater allows our daughter to experience learning in a structured environment while maintaining her independence and fostering her educational abilities. Our daughter has been with Ms. Barias since she was 2 years old, and from the first day

she bonded with Ms. Barias. We believe Ms. Barias is the primary reason our daughter has progressed in the areas of verbal communication, peer interaction and number and letter recognition. Our daughter has increased verbal communication since attending AMS. She prospers from being in class with Ms. Barias and her peers. AMS is the right school environment for our daughter, we could not be happier with her progress.”
~Stephanie S

“The School is exceptional. My son joined the school late November and assimilated with ease. The school provides a great atmosphere for learning complemented by its genuine staff. Ms Ortiz is a dedicated teacher with a perfect balance of assertiveness and kindness. Her efforts extend beyond the classroom as she always makes time to speak about my son's progress and offers alternative approaches for me to implement while assisting my son at home with what he's learned in the classroom. I highly recommend this school for any one interested in the Montessori system.”
~Brian C

“My daughter is 2 yrs old and has been going to Apple for quite sometime now. She is extremely happy there and loves all her teachers! (esp. Ms. Lynch, Ms. Marte, Ms. Garcia and Ms. Dholakia)Ms. bagnato manages the school extremely well and they have a great curriculum. All teachers are very affectionate with the kids. I am extremely happy with Apple because my daughter feels happy and safe here! :) Thank you Apple!! :)”
~Preeti

“Love the school and the teachers. Ms. Ortiz is my favorite my 3 year old loves her. It's a great place for children to learn and grow. The staff is fantastic.”
~Aakriti

“As a busy working parent commuting to the City everyday with crazy work hours, I have been happy and satisfied with AMS and its programs. My older one graduated the AMS kindergarten program (she started going to AMS at age 2) and my younger one is currently attending the kindergarten program (he started at age 3).

There is no "perfect" school to meet parents' expectation from a 360 degree angle. What was the most important thing to me when looking for a school is how this particular school can assist in raising my child. To me, raising a child is a 3 legged race. Parents and school have to team up together and share goals and ideas based on mutual trust to provide the best educational opportunity and environment in a given situation.

So, whether or not the school's philosophy of education is in line with mine was one thing I checked. The other thing I checked is how much the school can supplement and compensate my absence at home due to the long hours of working in the City. Since both my husband and I come home late every day and can't help my children do homework and help them study like other parents, I am in a situation where I have to depend on school more than other families so my children will continue to progress in learning. This is why I focused more on the school's proven teaching methods. State-of-the-art buildings, high-tech gadgets, big playground - all are important. But, as a working mom, teaching the kids how to learn on one's own is more fundamental and important. From this perspective, I have been very pleased.

Each family has different priorities. It is critical to know what they are and what you are pursuing as a parent and find a school to meet the needs.

"Based on my 7 year experience with AMS, especially the Edgewater location, I have to say that the school has provided wonderful learning experiences and social environment to both of my children and I am very happy for that."

~SC

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"My son is almost 4 and has been going to Apple Montessori since he was 2 years old. We absolutely love this school and the staff. Every single teacher and the supporting staff is fabulous and caring. They love and take care of the children like their own. Every evening, it's a tussle to bring him home – he absolutely loves the school and just want to stay there. They have a great curriculum, encourage and teach kids to become independent. The children are taught a wide range of skills from practical life, to reading and math. Their FastTrack program is very advanced and teaches different science topics. We are so lucky to have found this school. Definitely recommend Apple Montessori Edgewater to the parents who are looking for loving, caring and educative environment for their kids."

~ A parent

"Apple Montessori, Edgewater is a wonderful, diverse school with wonderful teachers and families! Our children (now 2 1/2 and 3/ 1/2) have had excellent experiences and gained wonderful senses of confidence and independence, which is encouraged in every aspect of its learning program. They also have a wonderful summer camp! We definitely recommend this school for any family who is looking for a safe, creative and inspiring atmosphere for your children to learn both academic fundamentals and life skills."

~ A community member

"My son is five years old and in Kindergarten. He has attended this school since he was two years old and we LOVE it. . His teacher, Ms. Rivera, is phenomenal. Ms. Rivera promised me that my son would be reading by the time he was four years old and on my birthday he opened a book and read it to me. It was one of the best moments of my life. All of the teachers seem warm and hardworking. They work long hours but don't seem flustered or act out against the kids. The kids are all happy. I like that the school is about building confidence so my son feels school work is fun. He does math (addition, subtraction, multiplication, and beginner's division). The Montessori system is hands-down the best system of learning and environment you can pick for your child. My son is exceeding academically and I feel secure that he is in a warm, loving environment. As a Kindergartner, he enjoys helping the other students and taking care of his responsibilities in the class. He has had a best friend since he was two years old and we have never ever had a problem with the school. When I first came here, I would ask moms about the school, and they were just as passionate about the school as I am now. This was a good decision for our child and family. We truly appreciate the time we've had at Apple Montessori in Edgewater."

~ A parent

"This is my son's second year at Apple Montessori School in Edgewater. We like the school very much!! The curriculum is excellent and the school staff are great. In particular, Ms. Barias is simply fantastic. She is very committed and nurturing. My son has blossomed under her tutelage."

~ A parent

"We love this school. My child is learning a lot and loves going to school. Ms Rivera is amazing. The fact that my child loves her so much speaks a lot."

~ A parent

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~ A parent

"Our son goes to this school since he was 2 and has improved tremendously. Thanks to his teacher and all assistant he's been able to now focus and learn his math and reading. This place has been great for our son. This was possible due largely to working together with their teacher in proper discipline and participation in our child's activities. We highly recommend this place to anyone."

~ A parent

"My son has really grown at the schools. He is learning so much and he loves his teachers."

~ A parent

"Apple Montessori school is the best option in the area. The entire staff work to ensure the educational advancement of all children. Both of my sons have gone to the school. I have been involved with the school for 6 years. My son graduated and went to another school. He remains

at the top of the class at his new school. Apple Montessori has cache with the elite schools in the area. . I am not easily impressed but this school offers great value."

~ A parent

"Apple Montessori Schools edge water such an amazing school. My children have been enjoying their time at school and actually cry if they cannot come to school . Their fastrackids program taught on a smart board is so advanced. My children are reading writing and have developed incredible critical thinking skills. The school is amazing as well as the faculty . Everyone at AMS is amazing I am so lucky to have found this school."

~ A parent

"My older kid was practically not speaking when we enrolled him in Apple Montessori. The teachers there were really dedicated and helped him a lot...he flourished and loved going to school everyday! We liked it so much, we enrolled our daughter there and she loved it too...yes, I would like to see them have a little of physical activity, not only intellectual, but this a GREAT school. I would re enroll my kids again without giving it a second thought."

~ A parent

"I have two kids in Apple and couldn't be happier. Both kids are thriving academically and come home talking about how much fun they have. The teachers are caring yet firm and the environment is one of fostering independence. It's a great place and I wouldn't hesitate to recommend it to anyone."

~ A parent

"I have two children in Apple. My eldest has thrived as both a younger child and now as an older one helping the younger ones. She is far ahead academically than students from nearby schools. It fosters her academically while accommodating her personality and interests. I love the school. The management is disorganized and opinionated. They preach too much in their admissions materials. But my children love it."

~ A parent