

REVIEWS FEATURED ON



"Our two-year-old son has been attending since the fall, and the school has been excellent in supporting his social development. The teachers and staff are very friendly and nurturing. This was my first experience leaving my child with a non-family member, and it's comforting to know he's being well cared for.

The school's approach to teaching manners and discipline perfectly complements our efforts at home, so I have no complaints. He's learning independence and responsibility, picking up his toys, helping with "chores" around the house.

Looking at the older children in the class, the progressive benefits of the Montessori method are evident. His classmates are well-behaved and look after the smaller children, exactly the role models I want for my only child. We're thrilled with his experience here."

~Mistino

"We recently moved from Jersey City and cannot be more pleased with Apple Montessori-Towaco. From summer camp through the present school year, they have been critical in our transition.

They foster a nurturing environment and have truly caring teachers and staff. Our two children have been developing a sense of confidence and a love of learning and have been thriving.

Thank you !!"

~S M

"Having had two children at Apple Montessori in Towaco (one who's now in elementary and one currently enrolled), I can't say enough about this location. I'm so thankful to have a pre-K option in town that provides such a great learning opportunity. Not only do they excel with teaching in the typical Montessori fashion, but they provide a kind, nurturing environment and the staff is considerate to every child's needs. The facility is clean and well run, and as a working mom it always gave me peace of mind knowing that my kids are in good hands. I feel that not only have they benefited academically, but also socially from the communication techniques they've picked up. If I had a third, they'd attend here too!"

~Sharon M

"I was in a panic about my public school district being unable/unwilling to modify teaching for my son, who was reading at 4. I was worried he'd be bored or lose interest in school during his first year. Apple-Towaco has been able to provide exactly what I hoped for for my son. He is enthusiastic about going, receives quality education and experience, is a role model to the younger children in his class, is nurtured by the staff and his confidence is growing by the day! I can't believe there are so few reviews on this site as I'm 100% confident that all parents who send their children to this program, feel exactly as I do!"

~Marlene K

"We could not be happier with Apple Montessori (Towaco). We enrolled our 2-year-old son for the summer camp and had a wonderful experience. We saw continued improvement in his swimming skills over the course of the summer as well as his confidence in the pool. He came home each day with a cute craft. The weekly themes were fun and we cannot say enough about the staff! Warm, welcoming, caring, are just few things that come to mind.

It has continued to be a wonderful experience as we begin the school year. "Bring Your Parent to School Day" really enabled me to see how independent he was, as he showed me the different centers he could do. I was amazed. While driving in the car, I hear him recite "sound cards" which is the cutest thing at his age.

The staff is wonderful; the communication is top notch. Our previous "day care" experience does not even compare. Again, we couldn't be happier! Thank you Apple Montessori for being everything we hoped for."

~V D

"My son switched in the current school year. We were hesitant to switch. He had taken a long time to settle in. We were not satisfied with the progression in the other school. We noticed a marked improvement in Apple Towaco. He progressed from pre- to post-KG levels. He picked up reading and writing in under a month. He made strides in discipline and cultured behavior. We know we made the right decision in switching.

I credit his teachers for the progress. Teachers give personal attention and tailor the teaching accordingly. We have recommended School to 2 other families. In fact, one family switched from another Apple location to Towaco. The families feel the same way we do. Now we are faced with the difficult choice of continuing him in Apple Elementary School or switching him to Public School!"

~Ankur

"We couldn't be happier with Apple Montessori in Towaco. We were nervous regarding the transition from daycare to preschool, but the Director and staff couldn't have been more supportive and helpful. The teachers and assistants are wonderful, caring and incredible responsive. The Director is fantastic and very involved in the day to day activities of each class and student. There are so many great programs during school (music, art, etc.) and extracurricular opportunities as well (yoga, zumba). I particularly appreciate the attention and focus on manners, kindness and life-skills. The overall method and curriculum is comprehensive and is geared towards keeping every child encouraged, engaged and focused."

~Karen C

"I absolutely love this school and the teachers. My daughter was very anxious to go to school and they have handled it amazingly. She has fun and is learning a lot at the same time. We Love Mrs Pavia."

~Sonali N

"I cannot say enough about the wonderful staff at AMS in Towaco. They are personal yet professional. My boys are thriving and are very enthusiastic about attending the calendar school year and the summer camp program. I feel that this school and its staff provide an incredible

foundation for my sons learning and development. Happy kids make for a bright future. I highly recommend!"

~J. Ortega

"My daughter has been enrolled for just about 2 years.

Being in a mixed age group room is perfect for her development and socialization skills. I like how the school teaches the traditional Montessori way and has a great balance with education and social skills.

They channel my daughter's strong will in a positive way and I see tremendous growth in her ability.

The staff is always available, friendly and takes an interest in the children.

What's most important to me is my daughter is not only developing beautifully she looks forward to going to school and comes home happy."

~Jen N

"I am on my 3rd child going to Apple Montessori. My oldest is 17 years old and he began at 22 months and completed 5 years. His foundation has afforded him the opportunity to be a high honor roll student, a lover of music playing 5 different instruments, a member and leader of marching band, jazz band and orchestra. His mannerism is impeccable and his love of learning is incredible. My 2nd son is following closely in his footsteps and this is my daughter's 2nd year. I strongly recommend Apple to everyone with a young child. Summer Camp is awesome too!"

~Mayra A

"We've now been in the school for a couple of months now, and we are very pleased with AMS. It seems that some of the classes are larger, but luckily, my son's class is small and intimate. So far, we really like how thorough and prompt communication is with the school.

Our son, who is naturally very shy had a pretty rocky start, but his teacher and the assistants have been so amazing at catering the experience to his needs and he's thriving. We are honestly so impressed with this school so far."

~K W

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"I continue to be impressed by my daughter's teacher and the rest of the staff at Apple Montessori in Towaco. She began reading as she approached the middle of the pre-k year. Now, as a kindergartener she has developed a love for books and I believe her reading skills extend well beyond what is typically seen in public school kindergarten. My daughter has also benefited greatly from the school's approach to math, which encourages the kids to understand concepts and not just memorize answers. I also see reinforcement at her school of things that I try to emphasize at home, such as honesty, integrity, and doing the right (not necessarily the easiest) thing. In sum, I am happy that we chose Apple for my daughter's early school years!"

~ A community member

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"AMS strengths lies in the deeply rooted fundamentals of providing the children with the right mix of education, fun activities and natural progress of a child. We had earlier kept our then 2 year old son at a different school which was strictly a daycare environment. Though their approach wasn't completely dis-satisfying, our son was experiencing same limited activities on a daily basis. That's when we decided to look at Montessori approach. What a difference it has made in a year and a half. Since his enrollment at AMS, his overall growth has been outstanding. In addition to significant improvement in his reading, math, science and general knowledge skills, it is his self-realization of learning on his own and taking that extra step that has impressed us the most. The staff at the school is extremely friendly and equally caring. We are very pleased by the step we took. Good job AMS. Keep up the good work!"

~A parent

"Over the past 8 years, the Apple Montessori staff and caregivers provide an outstanding curriculum to our three children. The choice of selecting a quality institution to school our children was difficult but when we researched Apple Montessori, they were able to set themselves apart from the competition. Their teaching methods provided our children with a developmental edge. Our three children have been part of the Kindergarten and pre-K program over an 8 year period. The Montessori curriculum provides an outstanding foundation to support our children's development including; practical skills, sensory development, math, language, music and art. In addition, the mixed aged classroom is designed to allow children to learn at their own pace and culminates with the Kindergarten students, who become role models for the younger children to follow. Overall, the school was safe and secure for our children. Additional oversight allowed us to participate and monitor progress through parent-teacher conferences, observations and parent evenings. We recommend the Towaco Apple Montessori school without reservation."

~A parent

"We have been with Apple Montessori since 2005. My youngest will be finishing her last year there this June. All three of my kids started there at an early age. They all have been with the same teacher, Mrs. Kotoulas who we can't say enough great things about. Not only is the school great academically but it provides a nurturing environment as well. All the teachers and the aides encourage and motivate the students to their fullest capabilities. The school provided the exact foundation I was looking for. My kids were reading proficiently before kindergarten, doing math, speaking Spanish, learned science, history, were self-sufficient, organized, and well-rounded. If your goals for your child are to be successful, this is place that will give your child the foundation to be successful in the future. I highly recommend it. I will surely miss the school, the teachers, aides, faculty, and most all of Mrs. Kotoulas."

~A parent

"Outstanding academic program. The best, most efficient and fun phonics based reading program I've encountered. Both my children are excellent readers because of it and more importantly - love to read!"

~A parent