

Parent Questionnaire

Welcome to the Pre-Primary Program at Sunset Hills Montessori School. We know that it is frustrating to fill out so many forms. One year one of the moms listed her occupation as “form filler”. However, this questionnaire will help us to get to know your child better.

We thank you for your patience and understanding as we work to form a fulfilling partnership with you in the education of your child.

Child's Name: _____ Nickname: _____

Birthday: _____ Age: _____ (years) _____ (months)

Mother's Name: _____ Home phone: _____

Work phone: _____

E-mail address: _____

Father's Name: _____ Home Phone: _____

Work phone: _____

E-mail address: _____

What is the primary language you speak at home with your child?

English Other, please specify: _____

Does your child understand English?

Yes No

Do you have another child(ren)? Yes No

If yes,

Name

Age

School

What are your child's favorite books?

Does your child watch TV or DVD's?

If yes, what are your child's favorite programs or movies?

What are your child's favorite toys?

How does your child feel about going to school?

Confident Excited Nervous Apprehensive

How well does your child make friends?

Very easily Fairly Well With Difficulty

Is your child afraid of the dark, people, animals, water, storms, or anything else?

What is your child's favorite activity?

Is your child already getting dressed by himself?

Yes No Working on

Is your child potty trained?

Yes No Working on

Does your child feed himself?

Yes No Working on

Is your child attached to a pacifier, blanket, etc?

Yes No

If yes, what? _____

Does your child have any pets at home?

- Yes No

If yes, what kind and name? _____

Describe your child's sleeping habits?

Does your child still have a nap during the morning?

- Yes No

If yes, what time? _____ And for how long? _____

Does your child have a regular routine for sleep and nap time?

- Yes No

If yes, please describe: _____

Has your child had previous childcare? (daycare center, nanny)

The following describes my child's typical group behavior: (please check as many as apply)

- brave caring helpful respectful honest
 shy confident happy thoughtful gentle
 energetic friendly open enthusiastic scared
 loner needy optimistic excited kind
 cooperative leader outgoing follower attentive
 reserved timid independent

Are there any family situations that we should know about (i.e., recent move, new baby, divorce, separation, remarriage, death of a family member, etc?)

If divorced or separated, with whom does the child live?

- Mother Father Other, please explain: _____

Does your child have any physical limitations or learning differences of which you are aware?

Please describe:

Is there any other information you feel we should be aware of? Such as:

- Frequent Ear Infections Toilet Anxiety Born premature
 Other Anxieties, please explain: _____
 Other: _____

Please add any additional information/concerns/apprehensions that will help us understand your child better. Please use additional paper as needed.

***What did she say?
Could you please say that again?***

Toddler children generally have very limited vocabularies. They also often mispronounce words. This is a very normal part of a child's development. It can be very frustrating to the child who cannot make himself or herself understood as well as to the adults who are trying to care for and work with the child.

Some interesting mispronunciations we have heard include:

- Kiki – music
- Buzzer – brother (That brother ended up with the nickname Buzzy. He is still Buzzy at age 62!)
- Min-uh-mee – Mrs. Minarik
- Ninganing – any unclothed body part – could mean completely naked for bathtime to bare arms while wearing a sleeveless shirt

Many families also use non-English words for people, especially grandparents, things and actions. If the adults around the child are not familiar with the language the child is speaking, both the child and the adult can find communication difficult.

The information you provide below will facilitate communication and help your child to feel secure in the school environment. If your child uses an unusual or a non-English name for a person or thing please tell us how to pronounce it, e.g. abuela (ah-bway-luh) You may not be able to write a pronunciation for us. If so speak with us and help us to know how to say it.

Father: _____

Mother: _____

Grandmother(s): _____

Grandfather(s): _____

***Great
Grandparents:*** _____

Siblings: _____

Nanny or Au Pair: _____

Other People who are significant in your child's life: _____

Pets (please tell us the species as well as the name(s):

Terms child uses for toileting: _____

Any other words and their meanings that you think we should know:
