



Welcome to the Center Nest Toddler Program at Center Montessori School. My name is Rosa Chafloque and I have been working in our toddler program since 2006. I am so excited to be your child's teacher this year, to meet all our new friends, and to welcome back our returning friends. It is going to be a year full of fun, learning, and lots of adventure.

I look forward to working closely together with you, and I believe frequent communication is vital. The best way to get in touch with me is through my cell phone; please add my number to your contacts. I will also be using the Transparent Classroom program to send pictures of your children and personal communications throughout the year. Of course, you can reach me by email too; my email is [rchafloque@centermontessori.org](mailto:rchafloque@centermontessori.org). I will try to return all emails at the end of each school day.

Part of our school philosophy is that the teacher and parents work together to best support the children. Therefore, to ensure you will receive email communications both from this class and the office, please be sure to update us on any changes to your contact information. I also ask that you please respond to this email so I know you received it. When it is convenient, please email me or text me a picture of your child for the label on their extra clothes box.

Our Center Nest class is required by the state to be licensed through the Department of Children and Families (DCF). As a result, you will receive a welcome package from us with several DCF forms for you to complete, sign and return. DCF requires that the completed forms be in each child's file by the first day of school (August 16th).

We will have two days of orientation for the children, on Wednesday, August 11<sup>th</sup> from 9am to 10am, and on Thursday, August 12<sup>th</sup> from 9am to 10am. **Wednesday's orientation will be the student and *one* parent staying with the student. On Thursday, it is only the child (no parents please).**

Lastly, we will have individual one-on-one Zoom orientations with each of our parents before starting our school time together. These orientations will be scheduled by appointment between August 10<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> with time slots available from 8am to 3pm. We will go over the beginning of the year letter, DCF forms, and any questions or concerns you may have before school begins. Please let me know as soon as you can what day and time will work best for you.

I am looking forward to having a wonderful school year with both you and your child.

Excitedly,

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