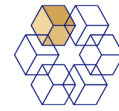


What to Include in a Montessori Teaching Portfolio

A portfolio helps schools see your practice beyond the résumé. Include items that demonstrate your approach to Montessori environments, materials, and relationships.

1. **Montessori Teaching Philosophy**
A one-page reflection describing your principles, approach to observation, views on independence, and how you hold DEIB in your practice.
2. **Photos of Prepared Environments**
Show before/after improvements, shelf arrangements, and intentional design choices. Ensure no children's faces are visible unless you have signed permissions.
3. **Lesson Plans & Work Cycle Documentation**
Examples may include:
 - PL or Sensorial sequence
 - Math or geometry lessons
 - Lower/upper el cosmic unit
 - Inquiry-based research cycle
 - Infant/toddler care routines and language invitations
4. **Observation Samples**
Include redacted observation notes demonstrating your attunement to children's needs and readiness.
5. **Family Communication Samples**
Examples of newsletters, conference summaries, or communication systems (anonymized).
6. **Evidence of DEIB Integration**
Show how you promote belonging and cultural responsiveness in:
 - Literature choices
 - Materials
 - Language and grace & courtesy lessons
 - Classroom routines



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- Community meetings

7. Student Work Samples (anonymized)
Highlight long-term projects, research, writing, science reports, or portfolios.
8. Professional Development
Certificates, reflections, and artifacts showing your learning journey.
9. Leadership & Collaboration Examples
Mentoring assistants, leading committees, or contributing to curriculum development.
10. Optional: Video introductions or mini-lessons
Some schools appreciate short videos demonstrating tone, clarity, and approach to children (only if you are comfortable and it aligns with privacy guidelines).