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## *Frequently Asked Questions*



1. *Do you accept students living outside Marikina or NCR?*

Yes, as long as the required documents are submitted. The parents or a guardian of the students will be scheduled to get instructional materials and other resources at Smallville Montessori Marikina. We can also ship them to your preferred address provided you will shoulder the cost of delivery.

2. *What are the requirements for new students for AY 2020-2021?*

a. Cycle 3 (Kinder) and Graders new students/transferees:

There is NO ENTRANCE TEST but the parents or the student will have to undergo online interview.

b. Grade School Transferees must submit the following:

- ✓ Previous level report card with LRN
- ✓ Certificate of Completion
- ✓ Birth Certificate on NSO/NSA paper

3. *How do we submit requirements?*

While we are still on MECQ, you may send a soft copy of the documents via email: [smallvillemontessori@yahoo.com](mailto:smallvillemontessori@yahoo.com). Original copies must be sent to Smallville Montessori School - 53 Horizon St., North Rim View Park, Concepcion Dos, Marikina City, 1811



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4. *Are there different school fees for options 1 and 2?*

Yes. Please click the link on the caption for the schedule of fees for option 1 and option 2.

5. *Can we change to another option within the school year?*

You are allowed to revert or switch your option within the 1st quarter of AY 2020-2021 if there is a slot available.

6. *When will the enrolment period end?*

Enrollment is ongoing until the number of student per level is completed.

7. *How do we enroll?*

You may register online upon completion of the requirements.

8. *What are the available payment options?*

With our current restrictions, payments can only be made through bank deposits or online transfer facilities.

9. *Do you have homeschool program for preschool level?*

Yes. Option 1, Montessori Home Learning Program and Option 2, Montessori Blended Learning Program for preschool and grade school levels are both applicable for preschool.



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*10. Do we need to buy any software?*

No, there is no need to buy software. ZOOM is the platform we use to stream live classes with our students. For security, we keep our online room locked and only individuals approved by the main host can join and can have access.

*11. What device should we use during online classes?*

Zoom allows the users to see everyone in a face-to-face chat on a phone, tablet, laptop. You may also cast Zoom on TV to make the screen bigger and clearer. Follow these online guides to have zoom projected on your TV for your kids to enjoy a bigger screen:

[https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/204726885-Screen-Share-Using-Airplay-Mirroring?mobile\\_site=true](https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/204726885-Screen-Share-Using-Airplay-Mirroring?mobile_site=true)

<https://airmore.com/cast-zoom-meeting-tv.html>

*12. Do we have an option to choose which Flexible Learning Option we wish to pursue?*

At this point you may only choose between options 1 and 2. Option 3 is still upon the risk clearance by the DOH, AITF, LGU and other government agencies.



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*13. Is it possible for working parents to enroll in homeschool option?*

It is possible for Option 2 as long as the student will have an adult companion or a guardian or a relative to assist at the start of the session. For older kids, they may be able to learn to use ZOOM easily.

*14. Will the students be required to go to school?*

There is no requirement to report to school for options 1 and 2.

*15. How many students will there be per online class?*

The number of students for each class depends on the level:

1. Cycles 1 and 2: maximum of 12 students
2. Cycle 3: maximum of 14
3. 1st Grade to 3rd Grade: maximum of 15 students for each level
4. 4th Grade to 6th Grade: vertical group maximum of 10 students

*16. What is the schedule (number of hours per session) of the online class?*

We are currently working on the schedules for each group. We will send you the schedule details on a separate letter.



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17. *How are you going to make sure the child is engaged given their limited attention span?*

Learning delivery online is very new to us, especially that we are a Montessori school. We are currently doing online classes blended with experiential activities for 3 to 6 year - old students under Virtual Summer Camp 2020. In so far, 12 students are very engaged and participative every session for 2 hours for the past 3 week now.

18. *Do you require a guardian to be present for the whole duration of the online classes?*

As soon as the online tools have been set up, the parent or the guardian of 7 year - old students and up may leave the child while having an online class.

19. *Will you guide us on how to make a "prepared environment" at home?*

We will send photo samples of a prepared environment. This topic will be discussed as well during SVM Webinar and Parents Orientations.

20. *Will there be an online seminar or orientation to talk about the new school system, and to address any concern from the parents?*

Yes, Aside from the letters we have sent and the Educational Continuity Plan (ECP) AY 2020-2021 primer, we have schedules of webinars and orientations for families. Please check our ECP primer for AY 2020-2021.