

## AUGUST 2023

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- 21: Institute Day: No School for all students
- 22-31: Teacher Professional Development
- 24: New Family Orientation
- 30: Back to School Bash 4-6pm
- 31: New Student Classroom Visits

## FEBRUARY 2024

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- 2: Setsubun Celebration
- 9: Chinese New Year's Celebration
- 19: Presidents' Day: No School for all students

## SEPTEMBER 2023

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- 1: New Student Classroom Visits
- 1: Institute Day: No School for all students
- 4: Labor Day: No School
- 5: First Day of School for students
- 11-15: Community Meet & Greet
- 21: Early Childhood Curriculum Night
- 26: Lower Elementary Curriculum Night
- 28: Upper Elementary & Middle School Curriculum Night

## MARCH 2024

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- 7: Grandparents' Day
- 8: Institute Day: No School for all students
- 22: Re-enrollment Deadline
- 25-29: Spring Break: No School for all students

## OCTOBER 2023

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- 9: Indigenous Peoples' Day: No School
- 14: Fall Carnival
- 23-27: Parent/Child Mornings
- 27: Institute Day: No School for all students
- 27: Parent Education Event

## APRIL 2024

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- 1: Classes Resume
- 8-12: Parent/Child Events
- 18: Parent Education Event
- 25: Parent/Teacher Conferences: Half-day
- 26: Parent/Teacher Conferences: No School

## NOVEMBER 2023

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- 9: Parent/Teacher Conferences: Half-day
- 10: Parent/Teacher Conferences: No School
- 22: Institute Day: No School for all students
- 23-24: Thanksgiving Holiday

## MAY 2024

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- 3: Children's Day Celebration
- 18: Spring Fling
- 27: Memorial Day: No School
- 29: Chicago Kindergarten Graduation
- 31: 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation Ceremony & Elementary Showcase

## DECEMBER 2023

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- 18-22: Spirit Week
- 25-29: Winter Break: No School for all students

## JUNE 2024

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- 6: Last Day of School
- 6: Oak Park Kindergarten Graduation
- 7: Emergency Snow Day if required
- \*\*\*Summer Camp Schedule TBD\*\*\*

## JANUARY 2024

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- 1-5: Winter Break: No School for all students
- 8: Classes Resume
- 15: MLK Day: No School for all students
- 27: Parent Education Event

## JULY 2024

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- 4: July 4<sup>th</sup> observed: No Summer Camp
- \*\*\*Summer Camp Schedule TBD\*\*\*

- All School Event
- Early Childhood Event
- Conferences
- No Student Attendance
- Lower Elementary Event
- School Starts/Ends
- Upper Elementary / Middle School Event

**Little Apples:** Closed 8/21, 10/27, 11/22, and 3/8 For Teacher in-service.

**Note:** This calendar is subject to change (last revised 12/06/22).



# Intercultural

## Montessori Language School

### Schedule of Events

#### August

##### **New Family Orientation**

The New Family Orientation is an evening event for parents. Teachers and administrators will present important information. It is also a great opportunity to ask questions before your child begins their Intercultural journey.

##### **Back to School Bash**

This is a family-oriented event hosted by the PTA. It is relaxed and fun. This event provides a nice opportunity to chat with some other Intercultural families. It is held outdoors at the Chicago campus.

##### **New Student Classroom Visits**

The visits are held in the morning prior to the start of school. Each new family is encouraged to visit the classroom for 15-30 minutes as a family unit. This is an opportunity for you and your child to see the room, meet the teachers, and possibly visit with other new families. Our new students can also drop off some of their personal items, (indoor shoes, change of clothing, plant for the classroom - if the teacher requests one).

#### September

##### **Community Meet and Greets**

These are evening events for families in the community to get together, meet one another, and connect with the classroom teachers in a social setting. The teachers, as well as students and their immediate families, attend.

##### **Curriculum Night**

These are evening events for parents to learn more about Intercultural's unique dual-language Montessori program. Our teachers present and share their expertise. These are great opportunities for parents to ask questions and engage more deeply with their child's Intercultural experience.

#### October

##### **Fall Carnival**

The Fall Carnival is a family-oriented event held at the Oak Park campus. This event brings the entire Intercultural community together for a morning of relaxed fun and entertainment. Students wear their Halloween costumes and play various carnival games. Alumni and older students help facilitate the games. All Intercultural staff and teachers attend this event as well as community members.

##### **Parent/Child Mornings: [October & April](#)**

Twice each year, parents are invited to join their child in the classroom. One parent may attend this event in the fall, and the other parent may attend the event in the spring. These events provide a unique opportunity for your child to share the magic of Montessori with you.

##### **Parent/Teacher Conferences: [October & April](#)**



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Twice a year, parents meet with their child's teachers. Our Middle School students lead their own conferences. These can be scheduled in person or via Zoom. Conferences last 20 minutes and progress reports are shared.

### December

#### **Spirit Week**

The final week before Winter Break is Spirit Week! Students are encouraged to show their school spirit by dressing in various ways throughout the week. The themes are chosen by our Middle Schoolers.

#### **Winter Break**

During this two-week break, Intercultural is closed for all students. However, the administrative staff is available by phone or email if you need support.

### February

#### **Chinese New Year Celebration**

Chinese New Year celebrates the start of the new year on the traditional lunisolar Chinese calendar. Join us in celebrating the Chinese New Year at Intercultural by wearing red! Our Chinese community teachers plan the celebrations and activities each year.

#### **Setsubun Celebration**

Setsubun is a Japanese holiday that celebrates the coming of Spring. During Setsubun, we throw roasted soybeans to ward off "Oni" (おに) and scare away the ills of Winter! It is a fun celebration for the students to participate in while also learning about Japanese culture.

### March

#### **Grandparents' Day**

Intercultural Grandparents and Grandfriends from around the globe participate virtually or in person with their grandchildren in various, age-appropriate ways, once a year. To be sure that your child's grandparents and/or grandfriends are included in communication [click on this link to add their contact information](#).

#### **Re-Enrollment**

We ask all of our existing families to re-enroll by the deadline in order to help us plan for the upcoming school year and understand how many spaces are available for new families. Unfortunately, we are unable to hold spaces for current families once this date has passed.

#### **Spring Break**

Intercultural is closed for a week. However, the administrative staff is available by phone or email should you need any support.

### May

#### **Children's Day Celebration**

Led by the Spanish community teachers, this is a day that celebrates different cultures around the world. We will have school wide celebrations.



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### **Intercultural Evening for Adults**

Also known as the Spring Fling, this event is an adult evening celebrated on the third floor of the Chicago campus. Parents, Board members, Grandparents, and friends of Intercultural gather to enjoy food, drinks, dancing, and a live & silent auction. It is a great fundraiser for our school and a wonderful opportunity to connect with community members. We encourage you to mark your calendar, find a babysitter, and attend.

### **Kindergarten Graduation: [May \(Chicago\)](#) & [June \(Oak Park\)](#)**

Each Spring we celebrate our Kindergarten students when they complete the 3-year Early Childhood Montessori Cycle.

### **8th Grade Graduation & Elementary Showcase**

Each Spring, we graduate 8th grade students and commemorate this special occasion with a showcase. All Elementary students participate in the showcase with cultural performances. We invite the entire community to attend.

### **June**

#### **Elementary & Middle School Field Day**

Our Elementary & Middle School students participate in an end-of-the-year Field Day. This (new) event will include healthy competition, games, fun, and celebration.

### **Additional Events on the Calendar**

#### **Admissions Open Houses**

During the year we host opportunities for prospective families to learn more about Intercultural and see our classrooms in action.

#### **Parent Education Events**

These events are hosted by our administration and teachers who present various topics, with the occasional guest speaker. These events are a great opportunity for parents to learn more about our practices as a Montessori and Dual-Language school.

#### **Science Fair or Cultural Fair**

Students in our Upper Elementary program conduct presentations on various topics they have researched in depth. These presentations are great practice for our students and we invite the entire parent community to participate in the audience as they are able.

#### **Middle School Ted Talk Presentations & Welcome to Middle School**

Our Middle School students culminate the year by presenting their work and looking ahead to the summer and following school year. We will extend an invitation to the community to experience the Middle School presentations.