

RAM



RICHMOND ASSOCIATION FOR MONTESSORI

NEWSLETTER



MESSAGE FROM THE CO-CHAIRS

Dear RAM Families,

- There is an important Survey that the Richmond School District emailed on February 3rd. Please take the opportunity to reflect on and show support for the Montessori program in Richmond, especially as the School District is strategic planning for the upcoming 5 years. It is very important for our parent community to continue to advocate for the Montessori program across the three schools. The survey closes on February 23rd.
- With your generous donations and membership fees, RAM currently provides \$3,000 additional funding to each of our three schools for Montessori materials. Our subsidies are only possible because of your annual donations and membership fees. This year's cash drive is still open!
- Lastly, we wanted to let you know of our latest Fundraiser: First Aid Kits are back by popular demand! Share the campaign with your friends!

Thank you for your continued support,

Jacqueline Ip & Ivy Ho

WHO IS RAM? YOU ARE!

The Richmond Association for Montessori (RAM) is made up of families of Montessori students at Manoah Steves, Garden City and James McKinney Elementary schools. We work together with the school district and school administration to support the Montessori program in Richmond.

DID YOU KNOW?

Your membership and donations are the primary source of funding for RAM. Our budget also relies heavily on your membership.

Our annual membership is \$75. Any amount above that will receive a donation receipt for 2025. Every donation of \$200+ will include your membership, so you get a tax receipt for the full amount!

We now take credit cards, no fee! Submit [HERE!](#)

SUPPORTING OUR CLASSROOMS

The Rainbow Boxes (Right)

Students practice reading and spelling skills progressing through increasingly challenging reading boxes. Each box (or drawer) is composed of flash cards and matching labels that teach a specific phonetic element. One side of the card has a picture on it, while the other side of the card shows the spelling of that word.

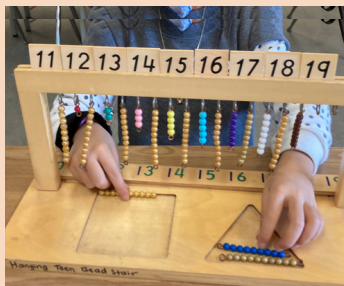


Montessori Stamp Game (Left)

The stamp game is used to teach addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division. The stamps (or tiles) represent various numerals. The material is used after students have had practice using the Golden Bead material. Students use the stamps to represent and solve an equation.

Teen Bead Hanger (Right)

The Teen Bead Hanger is a visual and hands-on material that helps students to have a better understanding of number values and teaches the teen numbers, numeral recognition, and counting. It can also be used to do addition and subtraction equations.



UPCOMING DATES



- Feb 25th: Zoom Meeting @ 7pm (email to come)
- Apr 29th: Zoom Meeting @ 7pm
- June 10th: AGM Meeting via Zoom @ 7pm

FUNDRAISERS

- ***NEW First-Aid Kits - NOW OPEN!**



- **Flip Give** - RAM gets a % of your online shopping
- **TruEarth** - earth friendly laundry strips
- **Mabel's Labels** - personalize everything! Choose **Richmond Association for Montessori** and RAM receives 20% of your sales. Free Shipping!