# **Rock Prairie Montessori School**

At a Glance

In addition to authentic Montessori educational experiences for children from Toddler age through Middle School, Rock Prairie offers so much more when your child and family are a part of the RPMS school community.



### **Spanish**

Age 3 – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

Rock Prairie believes that exposure to foreign language learning is of critical importance in meeting our goal for students to become informed, engaged, and caring world citizens. Students engaging in learning a second language not only open themselves up to communicating with others around the world, but, ultimately, they learn more about how they themselves communicate and operate in this world in the process.



#### **Nature All Around**

Located in a beautiful rural setting, Rock Prairie sits on 10 acres of prairie woodlands. From our thoughtfully designed building with its large windows to our outside classroom environments for children to work and explore, nature helps to drive the forces of curiosity within a child offering rich sensorial experiences as well. Our Founders Path meanders through the woodlands where one can enjoy a peaceful stroll through mature Oak, Hickory, Elm and Cherry trees.





#### **Peace Education**

RPMS strives to create an environment that fosters the development of peaceful individuals. Through lessons of Grace and Courtesy we teach and model empathy and understanding. We nurture respect for ones self and others, for our school environment and the natural world. We encourage children to practice peaceful conflict resolution by helping children identify their feelings and how to express those feelings through peaceful interactions with peers, teachers and others.

## **Physical Education**

Students in our Children's House program, ages 3-6, have a weekly Creative Movement class. Development of locomotor skills that help a child move, manipulative skills that involve an object and stability skills which are skills involving balance and weight transfer are introduced in a fun collaborative environment.

Children in Kindergarten through 8th grade have a twice weekly P.E. class with a focus on health and nutrition, fitness, skill building, and sportsmanship, to promote habits of a healthy active lifestyle into adulthood.





## **Community Connection**



Rock Prairie Montessori School is a place for children and families to find connection and community while sharing common interests, goals, and stewardship. Being part of the greater school community provides an avenue for building friendships and a sense of belonging in this busy world. Community events such as outdoor coffee mornings, school picnics, student sings and presentations provide the connection your family is looking for.

