

## Lowcountry Montessori School

### Remote Learning Guidelines

*Creating consistency, community, and care while learning from a distance*

### 1. Learning Environment

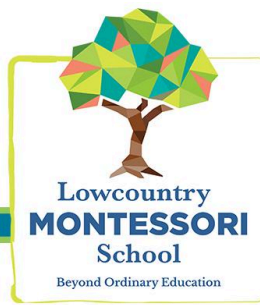
- Set up a **quiet, organized space** for learning that's free of distractions.
- Ensure your child has access to the **necessary materials and technology**.
- Keep Montessori materials nearby, if applicable.

### 2. Daily Expectations

- Students should **log in on time** for all scheduled virtual sessions.
- Attendance and engagement are expected during class times.
- Children should be **dressed appropriately** and seated upright, ready to learn.
- Not all levels have Google Meets. Primary and Elementary have packets that are sent home. The expectation is that children work on the packets and check in with their guide at the allotted times if needed for help.

### 3. Communication

- Teachers will communicate through [platform, e.g., Google Classroom, Bloomz, email].
- Check messages and updates **daily** for assignments, announcements, and links.
- Parents are encouraged to email teachers with questions or concerns during office hours.



#### 4. Google Meet Call Etiquette

- Keep your **microphone muted** unless called upon.
- Use your **real name** and keep your video on unless otherwise instructed.
- Be respectful in tone, facial expressions, and chat messages.

#### 5. Independent Work Time

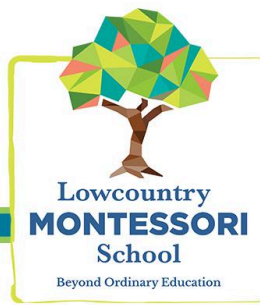
- Follow the schedule for independent work and practice periods.
- Students should complete assignments **on their own when appropriate**, just as in the classroom.
- Parents can support by **encouraging focus**, not completing work for the child.

#### 6. Technology Use

- Technology should be used **only for schoolwork** during learning time.
- Students should not visit other websites, play games, or use personal messaging apps during class.
- Technical difficulties should be reported to the teacher as soon as possible.

#### 7. Grace & Courtesy Online

- Show kindness, patience, and respect—just like in the classroom.
- Wait your turn, listen to others, and be supportive of classmates' efforts.
- Practice patience if technology or pacing causes delays.



## 8. Montessori Philosophy at Home

- Encourage **independence**, self-direction, and hands-on learning where possible.
- Maintain consistent routines and include **practical life tasks** as part of the day.
- Allow for **movement, breaks, and time outdoors** when possible.

## 9. Parent Partnership

- Parents are not expected to be the teacher—but your **support is key**.
- Help create structure, encourage responsibility, and model a calm, positive attitude.
- Reach out to teachers or the school with concerns or needs. We're here for you.

## 10. Flexibility & Compassion

- We understand that every home and child is different.
- Please communicate any **barriers to participation**, and we will work with you.
- Our goal is not perfection—it is **connection, growth, and support**.