

Unconventional School Spurs to the Joy of Learning



Lee Kirk at the Trinity Montessori School is developing coordination as he pours and measures water.

Trinity Montessori School is the only school in the area offering learning for 44 children. The school, located on Pittsford Rd., Pittsford, is owned and directed by Sister Eileen Dallachiesa, and is run in the spirit and philosophy of Maria Montessori, the late revolutionary Italian educator.

Briefly, the approach is based on the belief that the very young child is eager to learn and will learn best if his environment and activities are designed to encourage and provide the means for the child to acquire a joy for learning, a self-motivated discipline that he will never lose.

While the school presently offers pre-primary school sessions, because of the interest and demand for, this early educational program will be opened next year.

Specially designed learning materials, which are trained in their use lead the child to a deeper understanding of the symbolic, each preparing the child for a deeper understanding of understanding." Classes are ungraded and the curriculum is centered on sensory development in language, mathematics, science, music and art.

Discipline is attained through the child's inner ordering of the self achieves true personal freedom. It aspires to self-confidence and independence with a feeling of security.

Sister Eileen Dallachiesa is the director of the school, assisted by Sisters Maureen Murphy, M. S. and Sister Cora Marinaro.

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Diane Bredehoff, working left with knobbed cylinders and below with knobless cylinders is learning visual discrimination regarding size and volume.



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