



Diablo Valley Montessori School

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Message from Jayne

Dear DVMS Families,

As we near the end of 2021, I want to express my gratitude for being a part of our DVMS family. When I joined in July, I knew instantly that this was a very special place. We are so fortunate to be here together.

Thank you for trusting our amazing teachers each day with your children. It is a gift we cherish.

Thank you to our Board of Directors who give so much of their time and expertise.

Thank you to the army of parent volunteers whose work and creativity enhance the children's experiences.

Thank you to the DVMS staff. We are truly grateful for your tireless dedication to serving every child and family.

Wishing everyone a peaceful winter break full of smiles and love.



Keeping DVMS Healthy

The holidays are such a special time of year. Many of us had hoped this year would be more “normal”, however, with the new Omicron variant spreading at a

high rate and infecting more fully vaccinated individuals, we need to be cautious. Traveling or receiving guests can make us all vulnerable, even the fully vaccinated.

To keep our DVMS community safe and healthy, we ask that everyone follow these guidelines:

Out-of-State Travel

If your family is traveling, the California Department of Health recommends that unvaccinated travelers test 1-3 days before travel and 3-5 days after travel. Even with a negative test, all unvaccinated children need to quarantine for 7 days after travel. If your child does not test, they need to quarantine for 10 days after travel.

Test Before Returning to DVMS in January - All children

On January 3, (or your child's first day back), our morning health screening will include the question: "Do you attest that your child tested negative for COVID-19 within the past 72 hours?"

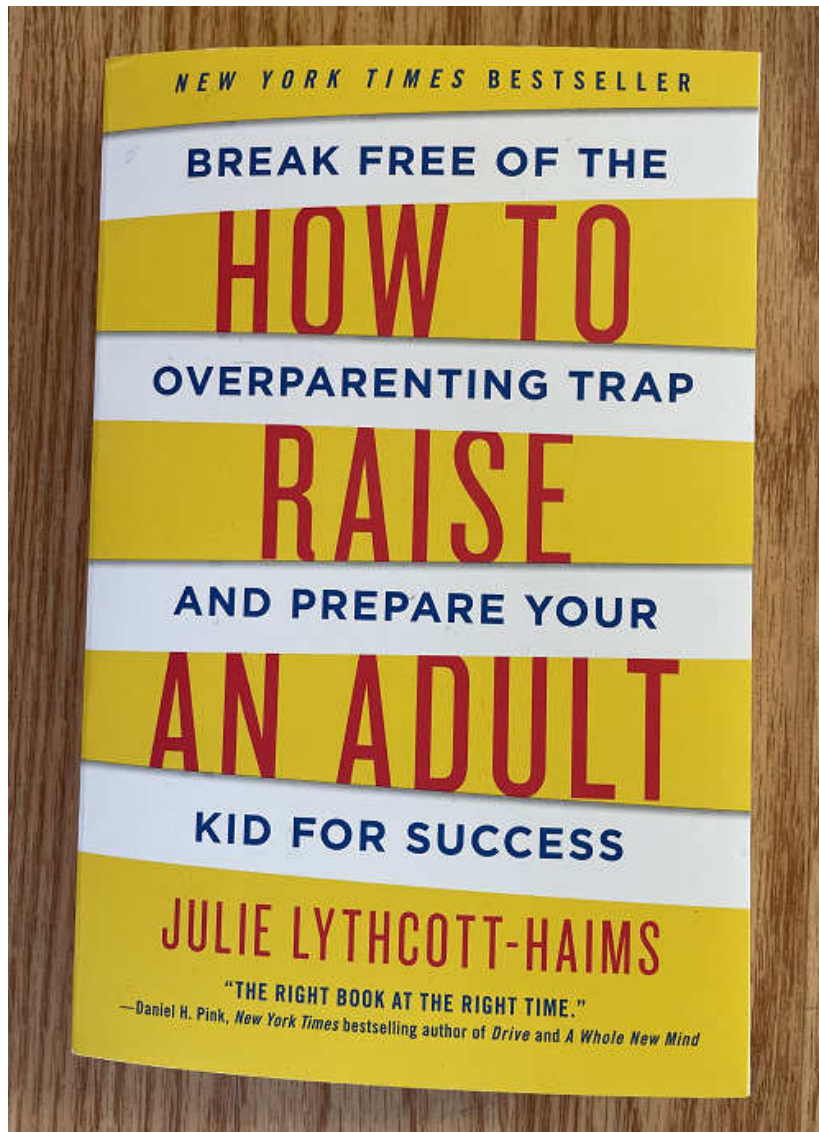
We ask that each child take a COVID-19 test prior to returning. Due to the New Years holiday, we will accept a rapid, at home test.

DVMS COVID-19 Policy

If any member of your household, or visitor, is exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 and has not been tested, your child must stay home until you can confirm a negative test result.

Thank you for your support as we continue to work together to keep our community safe and healthy.

2022 - Fun Times Ahead!



Keep a look-out for an invitation to a new Parent Club event - Book Club! Our first book is one that every parent should have on their shelf: [How to Raise An Adult. Break Free of the Overparenting Trap and Prepare your Kid for Success](#) by Julie Lythcott-Haims.

The holidays are a great time to pick this book up!



Important Dates!



December 20-31 Winter Break for Preschool and Half-Day Twos programs

December 20-21: Infant Toddler House open, Extended Care for Preschool (all spots filled) 8am-5pm

December 22-26: **DVMS Closed**

December 27-29: Infant Toddler House open 8am-5pm, Extended Care for Preschool **8am-3pm** (all spots filled)

December 30-January 2: **DVMS Closed**

January 3: DVMS open to all programs.

January 17: Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday, **DVMS Closed**

February 1: What's Next For My Two-Year-Old? Parent Education Evening 7pm on Zoom

January 18: DVMS Board of Director's Meeting 7pm

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