



ANNUAL REPORT

2017 - 2018

La Ciénaga, Cabarete
Dominican Republic

Numbers

Students 34

18



Dominicans & Haitians
on full scholarship

16



Tuition paying
foreigners

Staff 15 27% received English classes

Locals

7



Teachers and Assistants

3



Support Staff
(Cook, Gardener, Head of Cleaning)

Foreign

2



Teachers

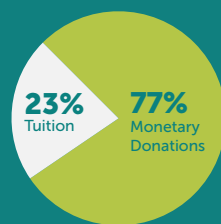
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Admin

Financial Snapshot

This year has been our most successful, fun and productive year yet! Our \$129,712 income served 34 students, 44 parents, and 15 staff. 3MM is committed to carefully investing the donations we receive to ensure sustainability and maximum impact. By doing so, together we provide our children with a strong foundation for success, and happy and healthy lives.



INCOME
\$129,712

EXPENSES
\$131,085

PROGRAMS
68%

- Montessori classes for children ages 1 - 10
- Nutrition & health
- Continuing education for staff
- Parent programming
- Volunteer coordination

**ADMINISTRATION/
FUNDRAISING**
32%

- Administrative/ Fundraising Personnel
- Contracted services
- Taxes

Highlights

STUDENTS



6 started reading in English 34 of 34 students...

4 of which are Haitian or Dominican

- Received peace and tolerance education
- Participated in environmental programs
- Participated in gardening and animal care
- Received weekly physical education, music, art, and cooking instruction



5 of 7 were reading in English and Spanish

(ranging from 1st - 4th grade level)

Student attendance improved by 26% from last year

34 of 34 our older students...

attended excursions to locations never before visited

STAFF

Our Haitian staff member who worked as the Elementary Classroom Assistant, received her Montessori teaching diploma. After a year of mentorship and experience with a trained Montessori guide, she will be leading her own classroom in the fall.

PARENTS

- A long-time unemployed Haitian parent became 3MM's most desired substitute Classroom Assistant
- An Italian father began working as 3MM's Sustainability Coordinator
- 18 mothers enjoyed our first-ever Mother and Staff Paint Night

Alongside parents and teachers, we provide children with the foundation for educational success and a happy, healthy life.



Meet a few of our special 3MM family members...



Eduardo
Student

Eduardo arrived at 3MM shy and withdrawn. His school attendance was poor due to frequent illness. With a greatly improved diet at school, and with concerted efforts by 3MM staff to relate to and mentor Eduardo's mother, this boy who was once lethargic and not engaged socially or academically now comes to 3MM with a smile on his face, a skip in his step, and questions and comments coming from his lips. Oh, what a little love and attention can do!!



Yoelis
Staff

Yoelis is a mother of two 3MM students and the person responsible for preparing healthy and tasty meals for our students and staff to enjoy daily. When she joined our school in 2013 she knew how to cook the popular Dominican dishes, but she's broadened her repertoire of healthy recipes and is now making food from around the world! Hands down, she is the staff member who has grown the most over the years.



Fenide
Parent

Fenide was once a shy parent who had difficulty engaging in conversation with the 3MM staff. She is now an inquisitive and involved mother. Her strong desire to learn more about Montessori education, and dedication to her 2 daughters who study at 3MM, have earned her the position as substitute classroom assistant at 3MM. The other parents, students and our staff are thrilled to have someone like Fenide to count on if one of our teachers is absent, as she shows integrity, is punctual, loving and eager to learn.

“CHILDREN ARE HUMAN BEINGS TO WHOM RESPECT IS DUE, SUPERIOR TO US BY REASON OF THEIR INNOCENCE AND OF THE GREATER POSSIBILITIES OF THEIR FUTURE.”

Dr. Maria Montessori

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MATERIALS

Contact 3MM for our most current wishlist

Send a check payable to:

3 Mariposas Montessori Foundation
133 N. Villamere Drive
Dowagiac, MI 49047 USA

Volunteer

Share your passion and skills with us.

Fundraise

Host a fundraiser to encourage your friends to make a difference with you.

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Exciting News!

- We started raising funds to purchase property
- Our 1 - 3 year-olds started receiving lunch everyday.

Vonlunteer Highlights

A Canadian organization built a "goat palace" for our new goats

A family beautified the grounds by adding a mural and 3D butterfly installment and chaperoned a kayak trip with our Elementary students

Lifetime friends of 3MM's founder led art activities and provided drone demonstrations

A foreign Montessori teacher taught Yoga for 2 weeks

An English-speaking volunteer served as 3MM's librarian for the 2nd year in a row

Various locals donated food, legal and internet services, musical talent, and more!

