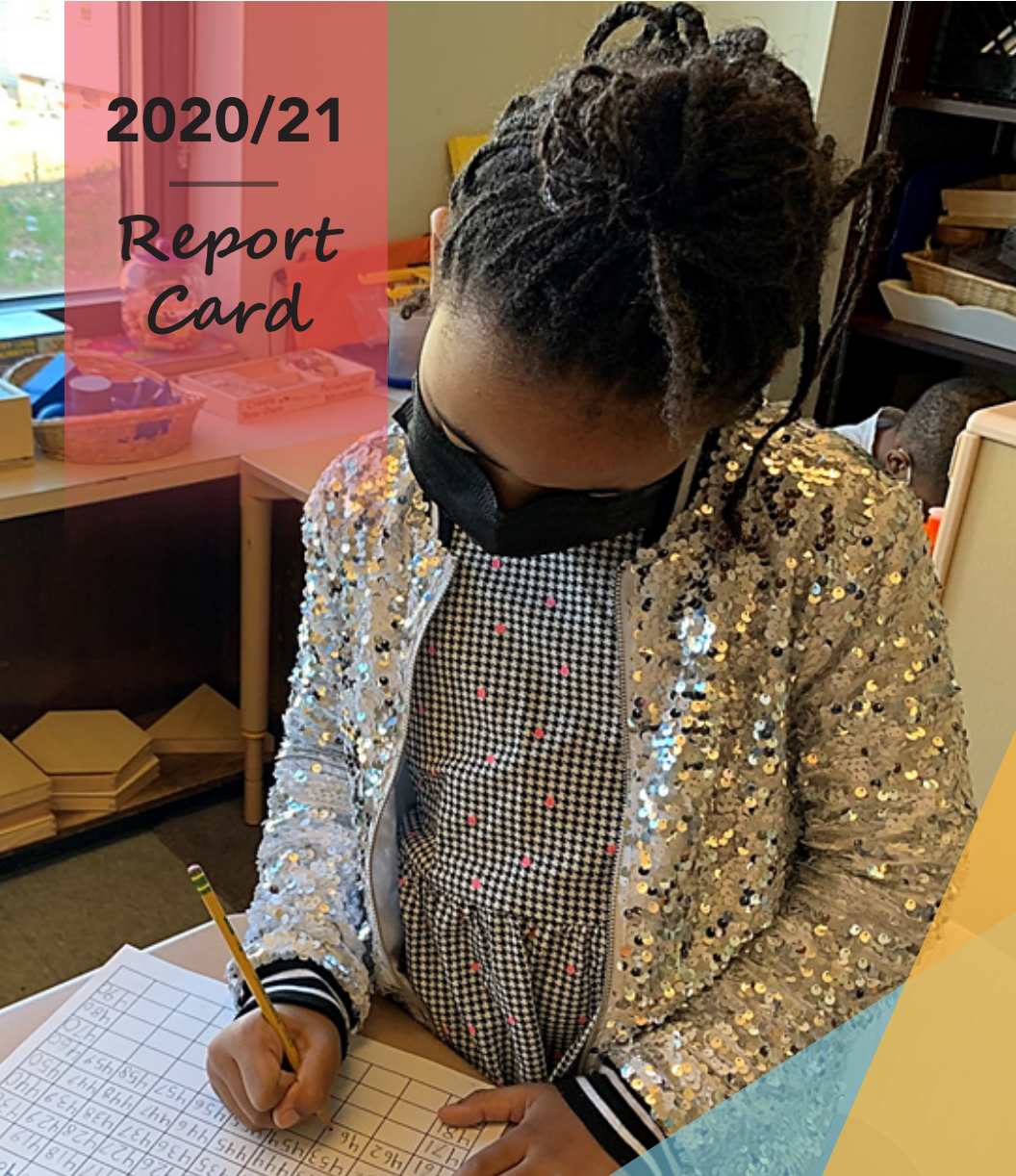




**PENFIELD**  
MONTESSORI ACADEMY

**2020/21**

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## Lisariah and Logan

"We joined the Penfield family in September of 2018. We were looking for a Montessori program, but also a school where our son would not just be a number. We were impressed with all of the staff we met on the tour and also impressed with the diversity of the student body. We felt it was perfect for our son Logan and we were right.

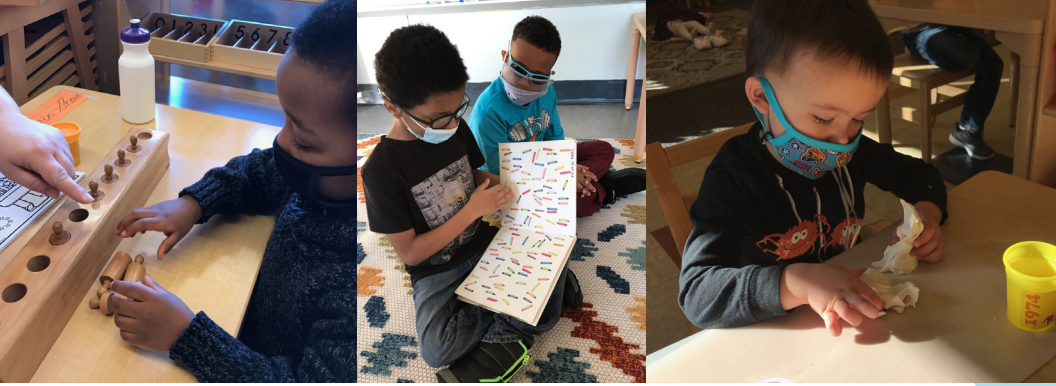
This year our daughter Lisariah joined the Penfield family and we are elated with how well things are going even with the adjunct of virtual learning. Everyone at Penfield has been so amazing and I can't imagine being on this virtual journey with any other school. We love Penfield!"  
-Lisariah and Logan's mom, Terea, Penfield Montessori

127 children in K3-4th grades attended Penfield Montessori and 25% had an Individualized Education Program (IEP).

80% of children who received annual Individualized Education Plans (IEPs) in January- February 2021 are on target to meet their current goals by early 2022.

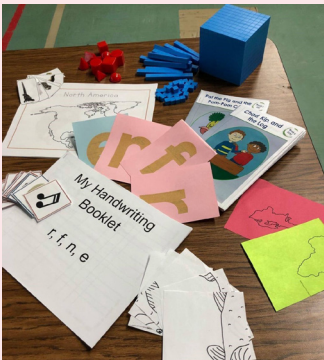
98.8% of our parents would recommend Penfield Montessori to other parents and 88.9% feel their children will be well prepared for the future.

# Supporting Families



**Penfield Montessori continued to provide a quality and inclusive Montessori education for students of all abilities despite the challenges of the pandemic. In the fall of 2020, we began the school year with 100% virtual instruction. Our comprehensive learning plan included:**

- Class lessons on Zoom that covered core academic subjects, social-emotional learning, physical fitness, and health/wellness.
- Online learning platforms, including IXL for math and Lexia for reading that targeted Common Core State Standards and key academic skills.
- Telehealth therapy and special education services for children with Individualized Education Plans (IEPs).



**Penfield Montessori provided meals and at-home Montessori learning kits, or "MILK" kits to all families each week. These kits included books, math and spelling materials, clocks, and more to aid with virtual learning.**

# Highlights

Susan and Bob Mikulay generously matched a \$15,000 donation to Penfield Montessori's Bright Futures Fund! This fund ensures our students continue to receive the educational, health and wellness, and family support needed to thrive in and outside of the classroom.

The High Five for Penfield event was a success and celebrated 5 years of Penfield Montessori! Special thanks to our Event Chair, Deanna Tillisch, our Honorary Chairs, Martice and Amy Scales, and our generous sponsors including Cramer-Krasselt, Deloitte, Chase, Ernst & Young, and Baker Tilly!

Penfield Montessori partnered with a variety of community agencies to provide students and families with engaging educational and cultural experiences. These partnerships included:

- **Marquette University Department of Physical Therapy:** offered adaptive gym classes that accommodated students with mobility challenges and physical disabilities.
- **ACTS Housing and St. Michael's Church:** connected families to community resources and neighborhood initiatives.
- **Playworks:** provided training for Penfield Montessori teachers on how to lead cooperative group games during recess. For remote learning, Playworks created movement activities, games, and "brain breaks" that students could play in their living rooms with at-home supplies.
- **Mount Mary University:** an art therapy student offered art therapy lessons that taught children how to express themselves and process their feelings through creative techniques, such as drawing, painting, coloring, and collage.
- **United Performing Arts Fund (UPAF):** provided workshops and family-friendly performances from professional arts organizations in Milwaukee, such as Danceworks and the Florentine Opera.

