



The Montessori Early Learning Foundation (previously known as ELF MTT), was established in 1995 as a passion project to bring Montessori to the underprivileged areas of Cape Town. We have grown and extended our borders beyond Cape Town, into Uitenhage, Johannesburg, Mafikeng and more recently, the rest of Africa.

We offer the following accredited dual qualifications:

Montessori 3-6 Pre-Primary Diploma AND National Diploma in ECD, Level 5 (SAQA I.D. 23118)

Montessori 0-3 Infant & Toddler Certificate AND Further Education and training Certificate in ECD, Level 4 (SAQA I.D. 58761)

In addition to our qualifications, we offer:

- mentoring at schools (assisting and guiding them to ensure their practice is authentic to the Montessori Philosophy)
- talks/workshops to trained/untrained staff
- talks/workshops to parents

Duration

Talks: Usually 40 – 45 minutes, followed by a 15-20 minute Q & A session

Workshops: Can vary between 1 and 2 hours. Are a lot more practical and hands on than talks

Venue

Can be hosted at our venue in Cape Town or Johannesburg, or at your own venue

Costs

At our venue:

Charged per person, dependent on topic and number of participants (discounts offered to Alumni/ Staff from Mentoring Schools)

At your venue:

R3,500 for first hour or part thereof (R2,000 per hour for Alumni/ Staff from Mentoring Schools)

R500 for each additional hour

Travel:

Quoted for on request, based on your location

Topics include:

- An introduction to Montessori – the basic principles
- Understanding what your children do all day
- Workshops on (any/each) of the curriculum areas
- Hidden Benefits of the Montessori Materials
- Building faith in the Montessori Method (Discarding non-Montessori practices that have crept up into our schools)
- “Preparing” the Montessori child for non-Montessori schools
- Preparing yourself as a teacher
- Discipline, the Montessori way (uses aspects of positive discipline and parenting with panache) can be adapted for parents/teachers
- Communicating with children
- Alternatives to Rewards & Punishments
- Freedom and Discipline: The Paradox
- Religion and Montessori
- Adjusting with your new born
- Creating a “Montessori” home environment
- Why choose Montessori? [also can be titled: Montessori for the 21st Century]
- Independence
- Encouraging independence
- “Toilet Training” - The Journey to being nappy free

To book/for bios on speakers:

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