

Alliance Charter Elementary Mission Statement

We are a community of learners working together to provide a unique choice in public education, using an enriching Montessori environment. We strive to engage and inspire students to become life-long learners, problem solvers, and responsible global citizens.

As a community of learners...

Our school, families and community all play a role in meeting the needs of our students. Education is a shared responsibility. Learning occurs everywhere and does not end when the school day is finished.

Our teachers and families work together and support each other to enhance the learning process. Parents, family and community members are used as learning resources and volunteers in the school.

We are all constantly learning and improving our own skills, in order to be effective teachers and models for our children.

What makes Alliance Charter a great place to go to school?

An Early Childhood Montessori program to meet the developmental needs of kindergarten students. And, an **Elementary Montessori program for grades 1-5.**

An enriching **Montessori based curriculum** that includes **hands-on activities and sequential learning materials** that actively engage and inspire students.

Individualized instruction, where students have the ability to progress at their own rate, with lessons often presented in small groups.

Multi-age classrooms (grades 1-3 and 4-5) which encourage students to teach and learn from each other.

A specially prepared environment where the classroom provides an inquiring, collaborative, nurturing atmosphere, encouraging academic excellence, and physical, social, and emotional development.

Uninterrupted blocks of work time, allowing students to develop concentration and creativity, exercise choice in their work, investigate topics of interest, problem solve, and learn from each other.

Teachers as researchers and facilitators, who serve as skilled observers and guides as they lead children toward independence.

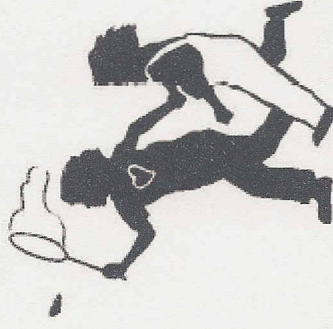
Classes in **Piano Keyboarding and Music Education, Art, and Physical Education** that enhance and increase learning.

A
passion for Excellence



ALLIANCE CHARTER Elementary School

Neenah Joint School District



**"Minds, Hearts, and Hands
Working Together"**

Alliance Charter Elementary is a public charter school in the Neenah Joint School District, utilizing an Active, Individualized, and Enriching Montessori Approach.

What is a charter school?

Charter schools are public, nonsectarian schools created through a contract or "charter" with the sponsoring school board. These schools are active components of their school districts.

Alliance is an instrumentality of the Neenah Joint School District. Our school was founded in 2004, through an agreement with the Neenah School District. Alliance offers families a choice in public elementary education.

As a charter school, Alliance is also freed from many state regulations regarding public education. Yet, we are held accountable for student learning outcomes. Alliance students are required to complete standard performance testing such as the WKCE.

To attend, families must specifically request the charter school. Kindergarten students should be registered at their home school, and should specify Alliance as their school of choice on the registration form.

Alliance is a public school. No tuition is charged.

For further information contact:
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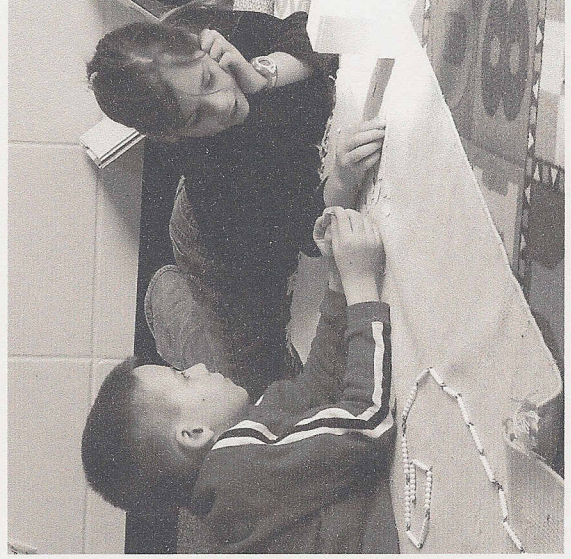
Or, visit our website at:
www.neenah.k12.wi.us/ace

Parent Testimonials About Alliance:

"Our son is thriving at Alliance. He has reorganized his bedroom so that he has an area for culture, reading, math and science. His love of learning does not end with the 3 p.m. school bell."
- Ann S.

"For our son and daughter, the introduction of music at this early age is invaluable. A gift they will use their whole lives."
- Pam H.

"We are so pleased with the Montessori environment. There is no ceiling here, only the possibility for more and greater learning. It has been wonderful watching our children progress at their own rate, with such enjoyment for school."
- Ken K.



Frequently Asked Questions

How do I enroll my child in Alliance?

Families must choose Alliance, either by applying or by selecting Alliance as their preferred choice when registering for kindergarten. A deadline for application is set each year, usually in early March. All students will be placed using a lottery system, and a waiting list will be kept as necessary.

Students from other districts need to also complete an open enrollment form. The window for open enrollment typically takes place in February. To obtain a copy of the open enrollment form and/or verify the application deadlines, please contact the Neenah Joint School District office at 751-6800.

Where is Alliance located?

Within Roosevelt Elementary School:
215 East Forest Avenue, in Neenah.

Who are the Teachers?

Alliance teachers are employed by the NJSD, and all have Montessori teacher training as required by the Charter.

How many students does Alliance have?

About 110 students are enrolled at Alliance.

What are the school hours?

Classroom hours differ from other elementary schools in Neenah. They are:
Monday-Thursday 7:50 AM - 3:00 PM
Friday: 7:50 AM - 11:45 AM