

**From:** Springer, Darren [Darren.Springer@vermont.gov]  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 03, 2016 8:01 AM  
**To:** Pepper, James  
**Subject:** Fwd: Montessori PreK status

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Tony Klein <[tonykleinvt@gmail.com](mailto:tonykleinvt@gmail.com)>  
**Date:** November 3, 2016 at 7:55:35 AM EDT  
**To:** Darren Springer <[Darren.Springer@state.vt.us](mailto:Darren.Springer@state.vt.us)>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Montessori PreK status

FYI

Begin forwarded message:

From: Nicholas Mortimer <[nicholas@loveplayingpiano.org](mailto:nicholas@loveplayingpiano.org)>  
Subject: Fwd: Montessori PreK status  
Date: November 2, 2016 at 6:31:03 PM GMT-4  
To: Tony Klein <[tonykleinvt@gmail.com](mailto:tonykleinvt@gmail.com)>

Tony, please see below:

Begin forwarded message:

From: [kristen@mscvt.org](mailto:kristen@mscvt.org)  
Subject: Montessori PreK status  
Date: November 2, 2016 at 13:58:34 GMT-4  
To: "Rogers, Kate"  
<[Kate.Rogers@vermont.gov](mailto:Kate.Rogers@vermont.gov)>  
Cc: [amy.fowler@vermont.gov](mailto:amy.fowler@vermont.gov),  
[rebecca.holcombe@vermont.gov](mailto:rebecca.holcombe@vermont.gov), Nicholas  
Mortimer <[nicholas@loveplayingpiano.org](mailto:nicholas@loveplayingpiano.org)>

Hello Kate,

Thank you for the conversation today. Just to re-  
cap:

\*The Montessori School of Central Vermont never

let its prequalification status lag; please see question 9 and 10 on the AOE's list of FAQ's as posted on your website:

<http://education.vermont.gov/sites/aoe/files/documents/edu-early-education-faqs-on-act-166-prequalified-prekindergarten-education-programs-status.pdf>

\*The Montessori School of Central Vermont did not change its program name, nor were there any changes to the compliance criteria (Director is the same, curriculum is the same, we still have a licensed teacher, etc.).

\*Fingerprint supported background checks were completed for a majority of the current staff by June 2016 (some part time help was hired during the summer). All staff members have passed these background checks.

There is no reason to "verify" or go through an "assurances" process since MSCVT never let it's prequalification status lag; because we are a prequalified program we require mandated fingerprint supported background checks of every single staff member. I would appreciate a response today, and for our prequalification status to be updated on BFIS. Furthermore a redaction of the email that was sent to the seven SU's that we partner with needs to be sent as soon as possible.

Kate, you stated that you were all trying to 'work with us' in order to provide quality care for our children. The email that was sent yesterday did little to support that claim. Districts need to be aware that MSCVT is still, and always has been, prequalified. I am sure you understand the financial peril this puts our program (and families!) in should districts choose not to pay us for the last three months due to insufficient information.

I look forward to your response. If you could kindly call me at 479-0912 that would greatly appreciated.

Best,  
Kristen Martin

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Montessori School of Central Vermont

"Never help a child with a task at which he feels he  
can succeed"

~Maria Montessori

In service to the Mission,  
Nicholas Mortimer - President of the Board - Montessori School of Central Vermont

*"The Mission of the Montessori School of Central Vermont  
is to provide a learning environment  
that supports the development  
of a genuine sense of self and social responsibility  
in our children as citizens of the world." 🌱*

802.595.1220 & <https://zoom.us/j/2065807331>

Please note that I have a new email address - [tonykleinv@gmail.com](mailto:tonykleinv@gmail.com)

Please update your address book. Thanks!