



# CARDEN ACADEMY OF MAUI

Dear Parent,

Thank you for your interest in Carden Academy of Maui, the only school on Maui using the Carden Method and curriculum. We currently offer classes for children in kindergarten through eighth grades.

Carden Academy offers a classical education using unique tools, approaches, and sequences. We believe that it is the responsibility of the school to give each child the skills required for what Miss Carden called “Life Triumphant.” These skills include a broad understanding of the fundamentals, the development of stamina, and the training of the child’s character.

In a time when the many challenges of education are dealt with by the implementation of one experimental curriculum after another, we are truly privileged to teach the Carden Method. Miss Mae Carden developed a vital sequential and interrelated curriculum based on the principle that it is our purpose not to lock the children into one mold, but to “equip a child in such a way that the knowledge and skills he attains serve him as tools by which he may express his individuality in the field of his choice.” Throughout the decades, a Carden education has proven successful in preparing children for the challenges of modern life.

Carden offers a broad elementary education which stresses understanding and comprehension over rote memorization. The Carden Method teaches children to read with understanding using a comprehensive phonic approach which teaches the sounds and the rhythm of the English language. In addition to mathematics, science, and language arts, the children are instructed in classic literature, French, art, music, drama, computers, and physical education. Learning takes place in an environment which encourages respect, responsibility, and self-discipline. The family atmosphere of the school is founded on the keynote of dignity for every child, teacher, and parent.

I realize that there are many options that are available to you as you search for the best placement for your child. I strongly encourage you to contact the school for more information, and to arrange a visit to the school so that you can experience the qualities that make a Carden education so unique.

Again, thank you for your interest. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Nina Sato  
Program Director