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AMI/USA has announced that it will be working with Sheri L. Bishop M.Ed. as a consultant providing strategic advice and support to its Board, Human Rights and Social Justice Committee and operational team.

Sheri has been engaged by AMI/USA to conduct an examination and provide recommendations in the context of its commitment to human rights, social justice, and ABAR practices and policies. In addition to working with colleagues in the organization she will be soliciting and utilizing input from stakeholders across the Montessori community. Sheri will continue working with the Montessori Institute of North Texas as their ABAR Advisor and enjoys working as a part-time primary guide at Norfolk Montessori Academy in Norfolk, VA.

Sheri has 8 years of classroom experience as an elementary assistant and lead guide, holds an AMI 6-12 diploma from the Montessori Institute of Atlanta, a Masters in Montessori Elementary Education from Loyola University in Baltimore, MD. She will soon complete requirements for an AMI 3-6 diploma from the Montessori Institute of North Texas. She gained her Montessori classroom leadership experience as a lower elementary guide at Ghent Montessori School, Norfolk, VA and at Hampton Roads Montessori School, Newport News, VA.

Through her AMI training and work as a research specialist for the Center for Advanced Study of Teaching and Learning (CASTL) for the Curry School of Education at the University of Virginia, Sheri has gained a thorough grasp of the Montessori pedagogy and stages of childhood development. In 2017 she was elected to be one of the founding members of the original MSJ Board of Directors and served until 2019. She considers her ABAR/social justice work as an extension of her "Montessori calling".



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