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Austin Montessori alum Sitara Weerakoon is a graduate student studying Epidemiology at UTHealth School of Public Health in Dallas. She also works as a graduate teaching assistant for biostatistics, and assists in course development for graduate-level biostats and epidemiology courses. She expects to earn her Master of Public Health in spring 2019, and to continue toward a PhD in Epidemiology thereafter.

Sitara attended the AMS children’s house and early elementary programs (pre-k through 1st grade). She later attended Fulmore Middle School and Bowie High School, before enrolling in Austin College in Sherman, TX. There she earned her B.A. in Public Health and French. She remembers AMS this way:

“Looking back now, I really appreciate the teachers I had and the learning environment at AMS which encouraged me and allowed me to be creative. Those first teachers are the people that helped develop my passion for learning. They really emphasized the importance of reading and I honestly have not put a book down since then.”

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