



Remember to sign your child in and out daily-required by DHS. Thank you-



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THE LEARNING CENTER

Our mission is *to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.*

2016 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thanksgiving Break-TLC Closed **November 23-25**
 Christmas parties December 23
 Last day of fall session December 23
 Christmas break-TLC Closed **December 26-30**
 New Year's Day-TLC Closed **January 2**
 First day of spring session January 3

November Birthdays

Leigh Huchton 11/5
Ryker Lewis 11/8
Everett Hodges 11/12
Trevor Sheffield 11/21
Maggie Figueroa* 11/22
Jake Miskovsky 11/25

*staff member



It is not an exaggeration to say that play is as basic to your child's total development as good food, cleanliness, and rest.



-Joanne E. Oppenheim



Weekly Specials Fall 2016

Mondays	Tuesdays	Wednesdays	Thursdays	Fridays
.Tippi Toes Dance* 10:30	Art Lessons 10 a.m. *Children's Chapel	Children's Chapel 9:45 Munchkin Music 10:15	Amazing Athletes* 10:30 Children's Chapel 2:45	Art Lessons Amazing Athletes
*cost extra \$35 monthly	*Chapel is for 3 yrs & up	*Chapel for 3 yrs & up	*cost extra \$40 monthly	same

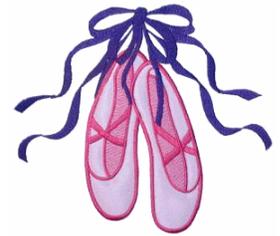


Tippi Toes

Tippi Toes offers positive, fun dance classes for girls and boys ages 1.5 – 10 years old! Our mission: to develop a love of dancing in children by creating a positive experience that promotes healthy living habits, helps build self-confidence, and a love for others.

Fall classes at TLC will be on Mondays from 10:30-10:55 a.m. Tuition is \$35 per month. There will be a December and May dance program, too!

To enroll, please go to www.tippitoesdance.com/oklahoma-city and follow the instructions to enroll!



Amazing Athletes

Amazing Athletes is an introduction into the basic fundamentals and mechanics of nine different sports and focuses on self-confidence, practicing teamwork, and improving seven key areas of motor development. Young children need guidance in building their balance, agility, strength training within a non-competitive, learning-based environment. Each class will focus on two different sports and incorporate activities proven to increase children's overall cardiovascular fitness, muscle tone, hand-eye coordination, reaction time and more! Teaching children life skills through sports is FUN! Classes are \$40 a month and lessons are each Thursday and now a class on Fridays, too. The program is for Zebras, Jaguars and Cheetahs. This program is a year round activity. Enroll today for just \$20 (enrollment fee) and get your tee-shirt for



Amazing Athletes.

Music Classes

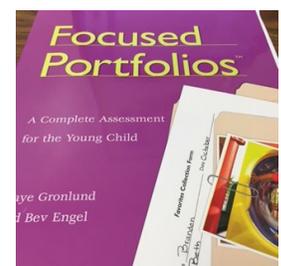


Your monthly tuition includes Music class on Wednesdays. Each week we have Miss Andrea from Munchkin Music bring her expertise to the Cubs (infants) through Cheetahs (4 year olds.) All of the children enjoy their music time. We have a program in May to share what the children have learned. Each month we send out songs, finger plays and key concepts that Andrea is working on with the children. Watch for this information each month in an email. Drop by to see the children in action. It is quite fun!

Focused Portfolios

Our staff uses a process of documentation called "Focused Portfolios" to record children's growth and development. Through photographs, anecdotes and children's work samples, teachers put together a visual account of each child's accomplishments. This process recognizes and celebrates that all children develop at different rates and with various strengths. Collections are completed in fall and spring and are kept in a folder for the year, after which the portfolio becomes a keepsake for the child and family. This collection is a representation of your child as an individual with distinct interests, background, skills and desires. We will offer family conferences twice a year to share these special collections and to celebrate the accomplishments of your child. Families are invited to participate in this portfolio collection process in whichever special way you choose. Here are some suggestions:

- ⇒ Create a photo collage of your immediate or extended family
- ⇒ Write about a special family event or trip and include a photo
- ⇒ Share how your child's name was selected
- ⇒ Describe a family hobby or typical weekend past time



Monthly Fire Drill



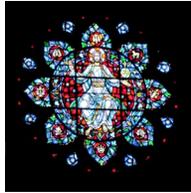
Our last fire drill was conducted October 21, in the morning. The children exited the building in less than two minutes. They all go straight to the BIG outdoor playground. Teachers take attendance and talk to the children about the process so they can learn about safety. Each class practices going to our tornado shelter (downstairs) monthly as well. Make sure you practice what to do at home.

ART CLASSES

Our art instructor, Ms. Heather, will continue her instruction with the children each week. The Monkeys and Zebras will have their lessons on Tuesdays and the Jaguars and Cheetahs will be on Fridays. We are really enjoying their creative experiences. Thank you all for your contributions to the projects! New display soon.

Children's Chapel Time

Our children are enjoying their time learning about God in our Sanctuary on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. We have a prayer, song and quick Bible story. As part of the Nichols Hills United Methodist Church's mission we are committed to leading children into faith for the transformation of the world. Tuesdays and Thursdays our chapel time is 2:45-3 p.m. and Wednesdays we have chapel 9:45-10 a.m. Families are always welcome to join us.



Services at Nichols Hills United Methodist Church

We invite all families to our church services on Sundays. There is an 8:30 a.m. and a 10:50 a.m. service. Sunday school is typically 9:45 to 10:30. Child care is available. Our music, choir and sermons are very much the antidote for a hectic life. Please join us. For more information call the church 842-1486. See you then!

Pies with Parents

Join us for some pumpkin pie (made by the Zebras, Jaguars and Cheetahs) November 22 from 3-4 p.m. We will have plenty of whipped cream to put on those pies too. Put this on your calendar so you can enjoy a little treat with your child. All families are invited to attend. Yummmmmmy!



STAFF ANNIVERSARY

We forgot to announce the one-year anniversary of Shelley Bowie on October 14. This is her second time to be a member of the TLC staff and we are so happy to have her with us! She works in the Panda classroom and has since October 14, 2015. Happy Anniversary Ms. Shelley! We hope to work together for many more years to come.



Children's Vision Screening

Good vision is essential to your child's learning. Prevent Blindness Oklahoma will be screening our children **November 17**.



Children six months old and older will be checked for any irregularities that are not yet evident to the human eye. Often with early detection some vision issues can be corrected and prevent permanent vision issues. These screenings will be done in each child's classroom with their teachers present. Prevent Blindness Oklahoma is the only nonprofit agency in Oklahoma dedicated exclusively to eye health and safety. Mark your calendar for this important screening.

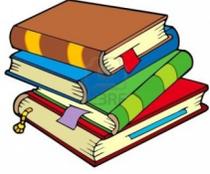
IMMUNIZATIONS must be kept current. Bring an updated shot record to school following vaccinations. Thank you!

NOVEMBER 2016





Still I am learning.
-Michelangelo



"We don't see things as they are, we see things as we are."

- Anais Nin

HeartMath



DID YOU KNOW. . .

"Early exposure to their environment full of germs, bacteria and viruses is not a bad thing," [according to Angela Mattke, M.D.](#), a pediatrician at Mayo Clinic Children's Center in Rochester. She also notes, "Early exposure to the dirtier stuff in life — things like "bacteria and other microbes" — can actually be "crucial to our health. That's because beneficial microbiota helps build immunity in babies and children, and has a role in preventing allergies, asthma, obesity and other noninfectious conditions."

When asked about hand washing and bathing. Dr. Matke gives this advice, "A child probably doesn't need to wash his or her hands after playing in the dirt or grass. But if the child was sharing toys with a playmate who had a runny nose or fever, then it's time to wash up. And to the relief of children everywhere, a daily bath isn't a necessity."

Source: ExchangeEveryDay 10/18/16



Recycle plastic bags



The Learning Center uses many plastic bags for soiled clothing or diapers. If you shop and have extra plastic bags we would love to take them off your hands. Bring one – bring a bunch. We appreciate

them all. Thanks!

ART SHOW SCHEDULED

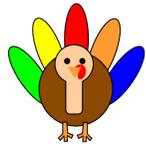
Our next display of art from the children will be ready for viewing **November 18, 1:30 p.m. until 2:30 p.m.** Refreshments will be served. Please plan to join us for this wonderful show. Our children work every Tuesday and Friday with our art teacher, Ms. Heather. We know you will enjoy their creative endeavors.

Research tells us that fourteen out of any ten individuals like chocolate.

-Sandra Boynton



~November 2016~

	1 Tortillas & Cream cheese	2 Nutra-Grain Bar & Pudding cup	3 Chex Mix & Apple juice	4 Apple & Cheese stix
7 American Cheese & Wheat Thins	8 Fruit cups & mini-muffins	9 Go Gurts & graham crackers	10 Carrots & Ranch Dip	11 Goldfish crackers & pickles
14 Fruit snacks & Animal crackers	15 Cheerios & Craisins	16 Veggie Straws & juice	17 Pretzels & Hummus	18 Ham Roll-ups
21 Wheat Thins & Pickles	22 Goldfish & Fruit cups	23 CLOSED	24 FOR 	25 Thanksgiving
28 Animal Crackers & yogurt dip	29 Bananas & Vanilla Wafers	30 Bell Peppers & Ranch dip		

Parent Advisory Committee (PAC)

Our Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) will meet **November 9** in the Parlor at 1:45 p.m. This group typically meets the second Wednesday of each month. Any family members who wish to participate are welcome to join us. The PAC will serve as feedback for the management team, help to distribute information, assist with special celebrations and so on. We would welcome your input as to how to involve families in our program or any other suggestions. So far the communication has improved with your help. Your involvement is always appreciated! The following people who represent the classrooms are:



Cubs— Taylor Butler
 Pandas—Mary Fitch
 Monkeys—Jillian Murphy
 Zebras— Jennifer Akin
 Jaguars—Marina Williams
 Cheetahs—Sarah Lausen
 Paige Woolbright (Chair)





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Fall Semester Tuition Schedule effective **August 8, 2016**

Monthly Tuition

(two day minimum, all ages)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
\$117	\$150	\$117	\$150	\$117

Examples: Monday, Wednesday, Friday = \$351
 Tuesday, Thursday = \$300
 Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday = \$651
 Any combination of days based on availability.

Other Fees:

- Enrollment Fee (per session) \$75 - 1st child; \$15 - less each additional child
- Supply Fee Included in enrollment fee.
- Drop In Rate \$35 per day Monday / Wednesday / Friday
\$45 per day Tuesday /Thursday (upon availability)
- Late Pick Up \$1 per minute, per child.
- Returned Check Fee \$25

