



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



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Quality childcare is not expensive. It is priceless. . .

## THE LEARNING CENTER

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

### 2020 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Memorial Day– <b>TLC closed</b>	May 25
<b>Last day spring session</b>	<b>May 29</b>
First day summer session	June 1
Donuts for Dads	June 22
Fall Enrollment	June 15-26
Independence Day– <b>TLC closed</b>	July 3
Last day of summer session	July 24
TLC Work Week– <b>TLC closed</b>	July 27-31
First day of fall session	August 3

### Adjusted Calendar of Events

Please note that we will **NOT** be closing the last week of May. We will close for Memorial



Day but resume the week through Friday. Our summer session will

begin as scheduled for June 1. Should you have any questions please feel free to ask. We are grateful for your patience.

We do not need magic to change the world, we carry all the power we need inside ourselves already: we have the power to imagine better.

-J.K. Rowling



### Weekly Specials 2020

Mondays	Tuesdays	Wednesdays	Thursdays	Fridays
Amazing Athletes 9:30 Tippi Toes Dance* 10:45	Art 10:30 Children's Chapel 2:45	Children's Chapel 9:45 Munchkin Music 10 (Everyone does music)	Amazing Athletes 10:00 Children's Chapel 2:45	Amazing Athletes (Monkeys and older participate in this)
*cost extra \$40 monthly	Chapel is for 3 yrs & up	Chapel for 3 yrs & up	Chapel for 3 yrs & up	



### Absences from School

We understand that people will miss school from time to time, but it helps us to know if you don't plan to attend. Call and let us know if your child is ill so we may let other families know too. Families benefit from the extra days when we know they will be available. Please help us with this process. Thanks!



### Drop-In Charges Due

The next time you need to "drop in" (a day you don't normally attend) we will need the tuition to be paid at that time. All accounts must be paid **in full by the end of the month**. We appreciate your cooperation with this policy. Thank you!

### DANGER in the Parking Lot!

Cars have been racing through our parking lot at speeds exceeding 20 miles per hour and this is a problem. Please remember that young children are at risk with speeding cars in the parking lot. We appreciate everyone remembering that there is precious cargo every where. SLOW it down.



I learned that courage was not the absence of fear, but the triumph over it.



-Nelson Mandela

**IMMUNIZATIONS** must be kept current. Please bring an updated shot record to school.

Thank you!



Children are the living messages we send to a time we will not see.

John Whitehead



### Spring Photos Re-Scheduled

Our spring children's photos have been re-scheduled for **May 28**. Larch Family Photography will begin pictures at 9 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. There is a \$1 sitting fee with no obligation to buy. The packages are the most reasonable in town. Even if your child does not attend on Thursdays you are welcome to come by for a photo.



May your choices reflect your hopes and not your fears.

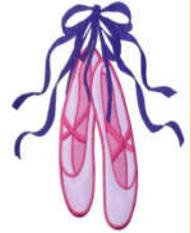
-Nelson Mandela



## Tippi Toes



Tippi Toes offers positive, fun dance classes for girls and boys ages 1.5 – 6 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. Classes at TLC are on Mondays from 10:30-10:55 a.m. Tuition is \$40 per month. To enroll, please go to [www.tippitoesdance.com/oklahoma-city](http://www.tippitoesdance.com/oklahoma-city) and follow the instructions. We do have classes all summer, too.



## 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 and strength training within a non-competitive, learning-based environment.

Each class focuses on two different sports and incorporates 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 held on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays, too. The program is for Monkeys, Zebras, Jaguars and Cheetahs. This program is a year-round activity. Wear your Amazing Athletes' shirts on the day you attend!

## Music Classes

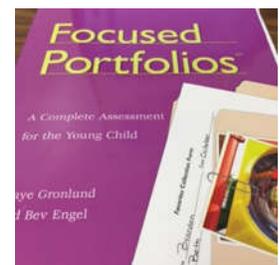


Your monthly tuition also includes Music class on Wednesdays. Each week we have Miss Andrea from Munchkin Music bring her expertise to the Cubs (infants) through Cheetahs. All of the children enjoy their music time and look forward to it. We have a Christmas Music Program and spring demonstration to 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 fire drills were missed in March and April due to the COVID-19 shelter in place order. Second time in 34 years to miss doing a monthly drill. Make sure you practice what to do at home, too. What does your plan look like? Where does your family meet? Things to think about before the time is necessary. . .

## Toiletries for John Marshall

One of the ministries of Nichols Hills United Methodist Church is collecting items for students at John Marshall. Here are some items needed:

- ◆ Men's and women's deodorant
  - ◆ Toothpaste
  - ◆ Toothbrushes (prefer four pack)
  - ◆ Body lotions 8 oz.
  - ◆ Laundry detergent 8 or 10 oz. *Tide* or *Gain*
  - ◆ Sample size perfume or cologne
- You may leave these contributions at front desk.



## 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!

## 2019 Tax Statements Available

We have statements available for your annual child care costs. These are printed upon request which takes about 30 seconds. Please stop by the office and let us know if you would like one.



**May Birthdays**

<b>Fields Tigert</b>	<b>May 7</b>
<b>Leon Gillett</b>	<b>May 16</b>
<b>Sophia Williams</b>	<b>May 17</b>
<b>Jack Fitch</b>	<b>May 21</b>
<b>Alex Powell</b>	<b>May 21</b>
<b>Charlie Wilkins</b>	<b>May 22</b>
<b>Cooper Roberts</b>	<b>May 23</b>

**The influence of teachers extends beyond the classroom, well into the future.**

**-Francisco Sionil Jose**



## Safety Practices in the Classroom

Upon arrival children's temperatures will be taken before entering the building. Teachers will check children's arrival times on clip boards. Lunches will be reviewed to make sure they are labeled in plastic Ziplock bags which will be thrown away. Nap rolls will be put into large plastic bags then labeled and placed in cubbies. When entering the classrooms children will wash hands with soap and water. This will happen each time the child leaves the classroom and re-enters. Teachers will wear their masks throughout the day.





# MAY Afternoon Snacks 2020



<b>FYI: PM snacks are provided by TLC; AM snacks by families</b> Except for Cubs				1
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15 Cheerios & Craisins
18 Nutella & Graham Crackers	19 Applesauce & Cheese Stix	20 Diced Peaches & Animal Crackers	21 Jello sugar free & Honey Pretzels	22 Veggie Straws & Ranch Dip
25 	26 Saltines & Pickle slices	27 Pepperoni & Ritz Crackers	28 Gogurts & Juice	29 Veggie Straws & Ranch

## Parent Advisory Committee (PAC)

Our Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) will meet as requested. This group typically meets the third Wednesday of each month in the Parlor at 2 p.m. Any family members who wish to participate are welcome to join us. The PAC



serves as feedback for the management team, helps to distribute information, assists with special celebrations and so on. We would welcome your input as to how to involve families in our program or

any other suggestions for improvements. The following people who represent the classrooms are:

- Cubs—Leah Roberts
- Pandas—Laura Ernst
- Monkeys—Amy Gillett
- Zebras—Susan Abernathy
- Jaguars—Marina Williams
- Cheetahs—

## Staffing Changes

We are sad to report that Ms. Melita has resigned from the Zebras' classroom. She was offered a full-time position with Aldi's which included benefits. We are happy for her but will miss her very much. Our newest team member is Ms. Patricia who will work in the Zebras with Ms. Krystle. Ms. Krystle moved from the Cheetahs downstairs to the Zebras. Ms. Michell and Ms. Karla will be the Cheetahs' teachers for the summer. We are fortunate to have retained the rest of our staff.

Krystle

Karla



Michell



Patricia



## Tuition Schedule effective August 5, 2019



### Monthly Tuition (Two day minimum, all ages)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
\$131	\$167	\$131	\$167	\$119

Examples: Monday, Wednesday, Friday = \$381  
Tuesday, Thursday = \$334  
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday = \$715  
Any combination of days based on availability.

#### Other Fees:

- Enrollment Fee (per session) \$75 - 1<sup>st</sup> 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

### Safety Procedures at The Learning Center

Children will be dropped off and picked up at specific doors.  
Upon arrival children and staff will have their temperatures taken with an infrared thermometer.  
Hands will be washed entering the classroom.  
Staff will wear masks during the day and gloves at meal times and/or diapering.  
Hand sanitizer for staff and children (three years and older) is available.  
Classrooms are disinfected and sanitized daily.  
Visitors are limited to reduce exposure.  
Nap mats are bagged and kept in their individual cubbies.  
Lunch and snack items will be served on paper products.  
Comments, questions and suggestions are always welcomed.

