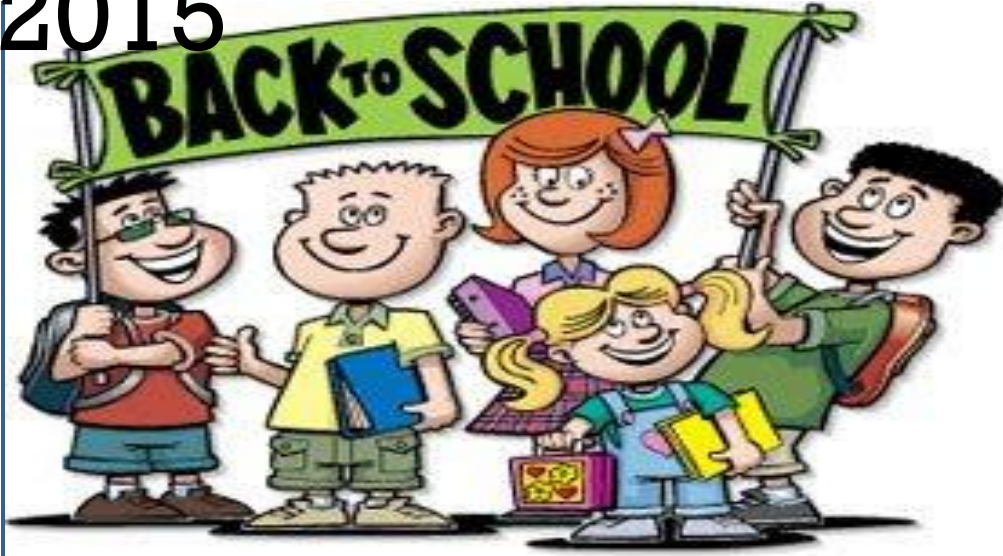


Little Stars CDC Newsletter

2015



Little Stars CDC is leaving the Safari and Heading Back to School!!!

The start of the academic program can often bring questions from parents about what to expect. This academic school year will bring students to a higher educational level incorporating new and different methods of learning. The following contents of this newsletter will go into further detail.

Educational Program

Little Stars Child Development Center practices the Creative Based Curriculum; an award-winning research based curriculum. Creative Curriculum features exploration and discovery as a way of learning by enabling children to develop confidence, creativity, and critical thinking skills (Curriculum, 2013).

The Creative Curriculum covers a list of objectives such as:

- Social Emotional
- Language
- Cognitive Thinking Skills
- Physical Skills
- Literacy
- Science & Technology
- Arts

Educational Program Cont.

- Social Studies
- Mathematics
- And Much More

The Creative Curriculum is based on the common core state standards (Curriculum , 2013).

The Creative Curriculum® for Preschool. (2013). Retrieved from https://teachingstrategies.com/content/pageDocs/Creative_Curriculum_Touring_Guide.pdf

For More information on our Curriculum please visit www.teachingstrategies.com.

“Real-world experimental learning prepares your child remarkably well for any environment” - Anonymous

Upcoming Events!

Please mark your calendar for the following upcoming events:

- ❖ August 14, 2015: End of Summer Carnival
- ❖ August 24, 2015: Staff Professional Day (Center CLOSED)
- ❖ September 4, 2015: National Air & Space Museum
- ❖ September 7, 2015: Labor Day (Center CLOSED)
- ❖ October 7, 2015: Trip to the National Harbor
- ❖ October 15, 2015: LSCDC Back to School Night!



Little Stars Child Development Center is ready for the 2015-2016 Academic Year!



Important Parent Policies and Procedures

Parents,

Please be advised, that Little Stars CDC is currently updating our policies and procedures to better fit the center and its demands.

New Financial Agreements as well as the Updated Parent Handbooks will be sent home over the next few weeks and we advise all parents to carefully read and review the new and updated policies Little Stars CDC will be enforcing.

At this time, the following policies and procedures that we would like to remind our parents of are as follows:

- ❖ Little Stars CDC drop off time is 9:00 am; NO CHILDREN will be permitted into the facility after 9:15 am; unless the parent of the child speaks with a member of the LSCDC Management Team.

- ❖ Little Stars final pick-up time is 6:00 pm. There is a \$1.00 late fee every minute your child remains in the center.
- ❖ LSCDC Tuition charges have changed from Bi-Weekly to Weekly. Tuition is charged every Monday and must be paid by the close of business of business every Friday. Failure to pay by Friday will result in your child not being permitted into the center.
- ❖ Tuition Rates and Discounts are subject to change as well. Please be advised, new contracts will include an updated rate including account discounts.

***Please Note: Weekly, Bi-Weekly, or Monthly Tuition payments will be accepted; however, you must pay ahead of the tuition schedule rather than behind.**

Updating Children Forms

For all of our parents who are returning this fall, there are forms that are due for updating.

Forms to be updated by all parents are as follows:

- ❖ Emergency Contact List
- ❖ Food Meal Eligibility Form (July 2015)
- ❖ Health Inventory/ Immunization Records

If there are any other changes, throughout the summer and the year, please stop by the main office to update your accounts.

Fall & Spring Activity Fees

Parents, please be advised, Activity Fees are due three (3) times a year: Fall, Spring, and Summer. The Activity Fees include:

- ❖ All field trips and In-House trips
- ❖ Materials
- ❖ Supplies
- ❖ Recreation
- ❖ Activities

For the Fall and Spring semesters, the cost of the Activity Fee is \$110.00. This fee can be separated into two separate payments of \$55.00. The first payment of \$55.00 will be due on **Sept 21, 2015** for the Fall semester, the second payment of \$55.00 will be due on **January 4, 2015** for the Spring semester.

All Activity Fee payments must be paid by money order or cashier's check only. Due to the low and convenient price, there will be no sibling discounts granted.

Failure to pay Activity Fees will result in your child's inability to participate in field trips and may result in other administrative actions.



“Teachers are in love with three things: love of learning, love of learners, and the love of bringing the first two loves together” –Scott Hayden

Reminder:

Little Stars CDC is now APP FRIENDLY!

To receive messages/ notifications to your phone about LSCDC upcoming events, tuition notices, and important information, please text the following number 81010 with your class code listed below:

Infants: @lscdc1

Toddler I: @lscdc2

Toddler II: @lscdc3

Twos: @lscdc4

Threes: @lscdc5

Fours: @lscdc6

B & A Care: @lscdc7

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Piina Sprout ~ Spanish Immersion SUMMER Program~

Our Piina Sprout, Spanish Immersion Program will be returning this fall!

For our parents who are unaware, Piina is a foreign language program that believes every child should learn a second language. We strongly believe that learning should be playful, interactive, engaging, but most of all target every learning style, even if it's in another language.

In our classes, sprouts learn another language in a similar fashion to the way they learned their first. The Piina curriculum consists of Olie "The Pineapple", music, Piina storybooks, images, flashcards, mystery treasure boxes, lesson/ theme related toys/ props, crafts, and so MUCH MORE!



Parent Trip/ Activity Suggestions

Little Stars CDC is always looking for fun and creative ways to better our program!

So we ask our parents if there are any programs that you would like Little Stars to explore please drop that information off in the office or email us at info@littlestarscdc.com.

We are always interested in other sites and destinations we have yet to explore; sharing with us your favorite child-friendly trips with us will be greatly appreciated!

Happy Birthday To...

August

James J 8/1
Nate' Via K 8/10
Bre'lyn G 8/16
Trinity K 8/20

Chloe S 8/28
Dylan W 8/30

September

Staci-Ciara C 9/10
Kamora K 9/17
Aaliyah B 9/19
Kristian T 9/26

October

Courtney H 10/5
Khadijah L 10/14
Micah M 10/14
Mei Shin R 10/19
Moriah C 10/22
Shalil B 10/26
Lawyer S 10/29



Happy Birthday to our Wonderful Staff...

August

Mr. Josh

8/6

October

Ms. Cherry

10/5

September

Ms. Razo 9/10
Ms. Ndiyo 9/14
Ms. Garrison 9/16
Ms. Proctor 9/18



Little Stars CDC would like to thank all of our parents for your patronage. We truly do value and appreciate you and your families! We are looking forward to an awesome school year with you!!!