

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



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It takes a big heart to shape little minds

## THE LEARNING CENTER

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

### 2022 Calendar of Events

- Teacher Work Week \*TLC closed Aug 1-5
- First Day Fall Session August 8
- Labor Day \*TLC closed September 5
- School photos September 20
- Fall Break \*TLC closed Oct 13 & 14

### Safety Precautions

Drop off and pick up procedures will continue at the assigned doors. We appreciate the cooperation you all are giving to keep everyone healthy. **Drop off is 9-9:15 a.m. every day and pick up is 15 minutes before closing. Monday & Wednesdays close by 2:30, Tuesday & Thursdays close by 4 and Fridays 1:59.**

### Tuition Rates for Fall Session 2022

Our annual tuition rate is going up in August.

The new rates are as follows:  
 Mondays and Wednesdays **\$151**  
 Tuesdays and Thursdays **\$193**  
 Fridays **\$137**.

The monthly rate for five days will be **\$825**.  
 This is a 7.4% increase.



Stay clean, stay safe, keep your hands off your face.



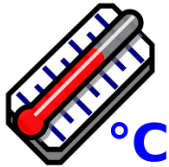
### Weekly Specials 2022

Mondays	Tuesdays	Wednesdays	Thursdays	Fridays
Amazing Athletes 10:00	Tippi Toes Dance* 10 Children's Chapel 2:45	Children's Chapel 9:45 Music 10:00 (Everyone does music)	Amazing Athletes 9:30 Children's Chapel 2:45	Amazing Athletes
*cost extra \$45 monthly	Chapel is for 3 yrs & up	Chapel for 3 yrs & up	Chapel for 3 yrs & up	French 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. We will call to see if your child is well. Everyone wants to know if someone has something contagious. Especially during this pandemic. Please help us with this process. Thanks!



						
<b>July BIRTHDAYS</b>						
	Sullivan Smith	July 1				
	Moss Robertson	July 1				
	Eli Sheets	July 2				
	Luna Sheets	July 2				
	Eisely Littlefield	July 4				
	Wyatt Williams	July 5				
	Loulou Bernitsky	July 8				
	Dean Payne	July 8				
	Lucky Harrell	July 10				
	Naomi Duty	July 11				
	Mackie Mae Perry	July 12				
	Casch Roberts	July 12				
	Eloise Bentley	July 16				
	Lincoln Bradley	July 17				
	Naa Manison	July 19				
	Davis Burke	July 24				
	Evelyn Bowling	July 26				
	Daisy Baker	July 30				

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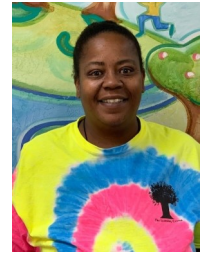
**IMMUNIZATIONS must be kept current. Please bring an updated shot record to school.**



**Thank you!**

## Meet Our Newest Staff Members

We are so happy to introduce you to our newest teacher, Ms. Dena. She has worked in childcare for many years. You could say working with children is her passion. Currently she is the assistant teacher in the Zebras' classroom. Please welcome her.



## 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 each 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.**



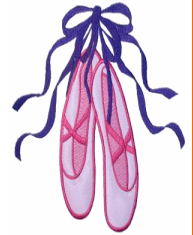
**"We are a box of crayons each of us unique, but when we get together the picture is complete."**



## Tippi Toes



Tippi Toes offers positive, fun dance classes for girls and boys ages 1.6– 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 Tuesdays from 10:30-11 a.m. Tuition for summer is \$120. To enroll, please go to [www.tippitoesdance.com/oklahoma-city](http://www.tippitoesdance.com/oklahoma-city) and follow the instructions. We do have classes year round.



## 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

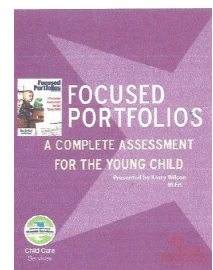
Our music classes are going to begin with our new music teacher at the end of June. Sheridan McMichael is our new instructor. He performs on Sundays at our church in the choir and praise band. He observed a lesson with Ms. Andrea to get an idea of the curriculum she used. We are excited to get to know him. A full biography will be sent when he gets here. Welcome Sheridan to The Learning Center.



## 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 held July 14. The drill went well. The loud noise of the alarm definitely gets everyone's attention. 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



## 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.



## Art Classes with Ms. Nicole

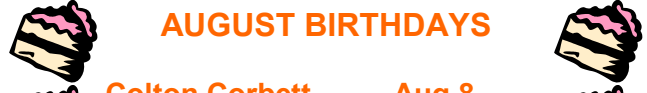
We are happy to have our new art teacher, Ms. Nicole begin weekly lessons. She teaches upstairs with the Jaguars and Cheetahs on Mondays. Ms. Nicole has many years of experience with children of all ages. We will have some interesting new work for displaying soon.



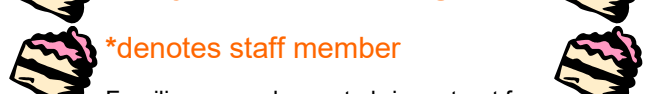
Welcome Ms. Nicole.



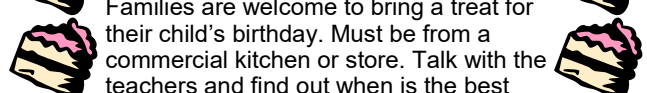
## AUGUST BIRTHDAYS



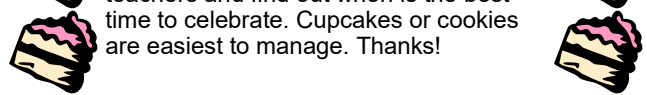
Colton Corbett	Aug 8
Bennett Williams	Aug 11
Lillian Smith	Aug 13
Nico Wall	Aug 16
Walker Henry	Aug 18
*Karla Villalobo	Aug 20
Beau Bishop	Aug 21
Morgan Purcell	Aug 23
María Owens	Aug 27
*Patty Romo	Aug 28



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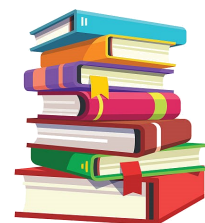


## Scholastic Book Orders

Each month we distribute order forms for children's books. Families may order on line and pay with a credit card or send in order forms with a check to the teacher. Our classrooms earn points to receive new books each month so THANK YOU for supporting Scholastic Book Club. The class code for on line orders is **NTJ46**.

[www.scholastic.com/readingclub](http://www.scholastic.com/readingclub)

They now ship books directly to your home if you choose that option. We appreciate you!



## August Afternoon Snacks

<p><b>FYI: PM snacks are provided by TLC; AM snacks by families</b> Except for Cubs</p>				
<p>1</p> 	<p>2</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>TLC</b></p>	<p>3</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>WORK</b></p>	<p>4</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>WEEK</b></p>	<p>5</p> 
<p>8</p> <p>Wheat Thins &amp; Pepperoni</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Nilla Wafers &amp; Applesauce</p>	<p>10</p> <p>American Cheese &amp; Saltines</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Granola Bar &amp; Juice</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Gogurt &amp; Animal Crackers</p>
<p>15</p> <p>Nutella &amp; Graham Crackers</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Applesauce &amp; Cheese Stix</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Pudding Cups &amp; Saltines</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Jello &amp; Teddy Grahams</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Wheat Thins &amp; Pickles</p>
<p>22</p> <p>Gogurts &amp; Animal Crackers</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Cheese Stix &amp; Apple Juice</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Honey Pretzels &amp; American Cheese</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Pepperoni &amp; American Cheese</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Mandarin Oranges &amp; Saltines</p>
<p>29</p> <p>Saltines &amp; Pickle Slices</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Diced peaches &amp; Graham Crackers</p>	<p>31</p> <p>Chex Mix &amp; Apple Juice</p>		

# BLOCK PARTY

### Block Party Scheduled

Join us Sunday, **August 14** as we celebrate the beginning of the school year. The fun begins at 5 p.m. and will conclude at 7 p.m. We will have face painting, bounce house, hot dogs, homemade ice cream, Bingo and much more! This is a great kick off to the new school year. See you then-South parking lot.





Tuition Schedule effective **August 8, 2022**

**Monthly Tuition**

(Two day minimum, all ages)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
\$151	\$193	\$151	\$193	\$137

Examples: Monday, Wednesday, Friday = \$495  
 Tuesday, Thursday = \$386  
 Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday = \$825  
 Any combination of days based on availability.

Other Fees:

- Enrollment Fee (per session) \$75 - 1<sup>st</sup> child; \$60 each additional child
- Drop-In Rate \$35 per day Monday / Wednesday / Friday  
\$45 per day Tuesday /Thursday (upon availability)
- Late Pick Up \$1 per minute, per child. Five minutes grace given.
- Late Pay Fee \$25

**Ways to Pay On-line**

We now offer on-line payments for checks and credit cards. You may set it up for monthly re-occurring payments or not. There is **no fee for the checks**, but there is a 3% fee for Visa, Mastercard or American Express. Naturally the old-fashioned way of writing checks and giving

To make electronic payments follow these steps:

Go to Nichols Hills UMC Website – [nicholshillsumc.org](http://nicholshillsumc.org)

1. Click “The Learning Center.”
2. Click “Payment.”
3. Establish a Profile. – This will allow you to make future payments without re-entering your information.
4. Enter Payment Amount and Child’s Name.
5. Enter Payment Method.
6. There is a **3% processing fee** for *Debit or Credit Card payments that you add in.*  
For Debit or Credit Card payments, click “Help offset processing fee.” This is not optional.

**Wherever there is a human being, there is a chance for a kindness.**  
-Seneca

