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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.*

### 2024 Calendar of Events

- Teacher Appreciation Week April 29-May 3
- Spring Music Performance May 22
- Last Day of Spring Session May 24
- Memorial Day \*TLC closed May 27-31
- First Day of Summer Session June 3
- Fall Enrollment June 24-26
- Last Day of Summer Session July 26th
- First Day of Fall Session August 5th

### Drop off/Pick up

Drop off and pick up procedures will continue at the assigned doors. We appreciate the cooperation you all are giving!  
**Drop off is 9-9:15 a.m. every day and pick up is 15 minutes before closing.**

Drop off/pick up survey link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/M3DBSQ6>

### Speech Screenings Continued

We have an agency providing speech-language screenings with written permission. They will come each week to finish screening children. If you have any concerns or wish to have your child screened, please tell your teachers. We have a form that you can fill out. This is a "no fee" screening just to make sure our children are on track with their development. The agency is Eagles Nest, and they provide pediatric therapy services. Should you have any question and wish to speak to them you may call 405.916.4168 and ask for Jennifer. Her email is [jennifer.eaglesnestOK@gmail.com](mailto:jennifer.eaglesnestOK@gmail.com).

### Scholastic Books

Each month we send home a plethora of catalogs for you to order books from Scholastic. You may have them delivered to your home or to the school. We distribute them upon arrival. Every dollar you spend affords us free books! The love of reading is instilled very early. Help your child to love books by purchasing new ones and reading them to your child.



### Weekly Specials 2024

Mondays	Tuesdays	Wednesdays	Thursdays	Fridays
Amazing Athletes 10:00	Tippi Toes Dance* 10:30 Children's Chapel 2:45 Art 10:00	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	



## 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. 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!

## Monthly Fire Drill

Our last fire drill was held April 23rd. The drill went well as our children exited the building under two minutes. 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....



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

Thank you!



## Class spotlight: Jaguars

The Jaguar class had a special visit from one of our own TLC dads who is a Police Officer in our community. Thank you, Officer Anderson, for sharing what you do with us! We had so much fun learning and earning our badges. We know we can always ask a police officer for help!



## April Art Wrap Up

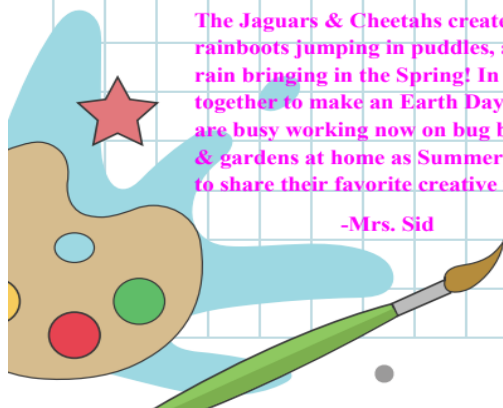
*Creative Christian Connection*  
*Art Class*

Month's High

APRIL

The Jaguars & Cheetahs created garden gnomes, layer art depicting rainboots jumping in puddles, and other fun pieces inspired by the April rain bringing in the Spring! In celebration of Earth Day the classes worked together to make an Earth Day collage using multiple mediums. The artists are busy working now on bug boxes and sculpting bugs for their flower pots & gardens at home as Summer "Crawls" nearer. Ask your Jaguar/Cheetah to share their favorite creative moment from this month.

-Mrs. Sid





## 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 10-10:30 a.m. Tuition is \$45 per month. To enroll, please go to [www.tippitoesdance.com/oklahoma-city](http://www.tippitoesdance.com/oklahoma-city) and follow the instructions. We have classes all summer, too. Call 405.361.3620 for more information.



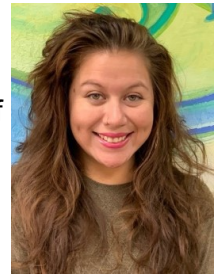
## Amazing Athletes

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!



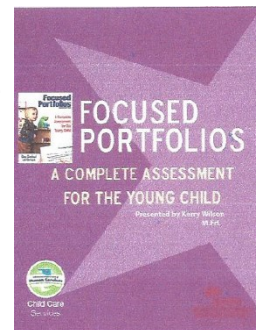
## Music Classes

Your monthly tuition also includes Music class on Wednesdays. Each week we have Miss Jordan bring her expertise to the Cubs' (infants) through Cheetahs' classrooms. All of the children look forward to their music time. We will have a spring demonstration to share what the children have learned. It's a really fun experience for everyone.



## Focused Portfolios

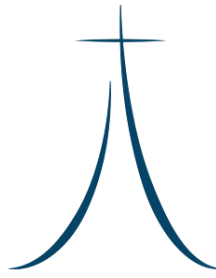
Our staff uses a process of documentation called "Focused Portfolios" to record children's growth and development. Through photographs, anecdotes and children's work samples, teachers put together a visual account of each child's accomplishments. This process recognizes and celebrates that all children 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 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







# NICHOLS HILLS

united methodist church

## May 5 - 9:45 a.m. Cooking Demonstration in the Fellowship Hall

“You are invited to attend a cooking demonstration at Nichols Hills U.M.C. Chef Andrew Tevington will be conducting a cooking demonstration in the Fellowship Hall at 9:45 a.m. on Sunday, May 5, to promote the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Faithful Chef Cookbook. You will want a taste of Chef Tevington's delicious cuisine!”



## May 12 - 8:30 and 10:50 a.m. Cookbook Distribution to the Congregation and The Learning Center

“Our Mother’s Day Service is a perfect way to celebrate the women of our church, as we continue our 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary festivities this Spring.

The 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Faithful Chef Cookbook is an assembly of recipes from members throughout the church. This beautiful cookbook will be distributed to the congregation and The Learning Center families after the Mother’s Day Church Services on Sunday, May 12. Enjoy making these recipes, which are lovingly shared by members of our church!”



## Sunday Worship Times:

8:30 a.m. - Worship

9:45 a.m. - Sunday School

10:50 a.m. - Worship





# May Afternoon Snacks 2024



P.M. snacks are provided by TLC; A.M. snacks by families Except for Cubs					
		1	Cheese Stix & Ritz Crackers	2	Muffins & Applesauce
6	Nilla Wafers & Bananas	7	Applesauce & Cheese Stix	8	Mandarin Oranges & Cheese Puffs
13	Goldfish & Applesauce	14	Whole Fruit Strips	9	Veggie Straws & Dried Fruit
20	Nutella & Graham Crackers	15	Graham Crackers & Pudding	16	Ritz Crackers & Pepperoni
27	CLOSED	17	Oranges & Crackers	23	Granola Bar & Dried Fruit
		21	Applesauce & Cheese Stix	24	Cheese Puffs & Applesauce
		22	Yogurt & Crackers	30	CLOSED
		28	CLOSED	31	CLOSED



## May Birthdays

- Oaklynn Birmingham May 1
  - Sophie Scroggins\* May 7
  - Donna Coppenbarger\* May 22
  - Freddy Ridley May 28
  - Jack Dumas May 31
- \*indicates staff member

Families are welcome to bring a treat for their child's birthday. Must be from a commercial kitchen or store. Talk with the teachers and find out when is the best time to celebrate. Cupcakes or cookies are easiest to manage. Thanks!



## Welcome Back!



We are excited to welcome back to the center, Ms. Dena Hayes! She will be helping us with breaks and being

that extra loving hand for the kids! If you see her, be sure to give her a warm welcome!





## Tuition Schedule Effective **August 7, 2023**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>\$156</b>	<b>\$198</b>	<b>\$156</b>	<b>\$198</b>	<b>\$142</b>

**(Two day minimum, all ages)**

Examples: Monday, Wednesday, Friday = \$454  
 Tuesday, Thursday = \$396  
 Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday = \$850  
 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

### New Ways to Pay On-line

We now offer on-line payments for checks and credit cards. You may set it up for monthly recurring 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 them to us still works! Please read below.

To make electronic payments follow these steps:

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

1. Click “The Learning Center.”
2. Click “Payment.” Establish a Profile. – This will allow you to make future payments without re-entering your information.
5. Enter Payment Amount and Child’s Name.
6. Enter Payment Method.
7. There is a **3% processing fee** for *Debit or Credit Card payments*.  
 For Debit or Credit Card payments, click “Help offset processing fee.” This is not optional.
8. Make your pay due date each month before the fifth day of the month. You will never be late.

**“When you get, give. When you learn, teach.”**  
 - Maya Angelou

