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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

Labor Day TLC CLOSED	September 2
Vision Screening	September 12
Fall Pictures	September 24
Fall break TLC CLOSED	October 17-18
Spring Enrollment	October 21-24
Halloween Parties	October 31
Thanksgiving break	November 27-29

### 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.

Orders are due this month by September 21st.



### Drop-off/Pick-up

Drop-off and pick-up procedures will now take place at your child's class if they are downstairs. Please leave hugs and kisses at the door. Jaguars and Cheetahs will continue to drop off at the front door.

**Drop off is 9-9:15 a.m. every day and pick up is 15 minutes before closing.**

### 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 questions 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).

### Weekly Specials 2024

Mondays	Tuesdays	Wednesdays	Thursdays	Fridays
Letz GO Sports 9:30	Tippi Toes Dance* 10:30 Children's Chapel 2:45 Art 10:00	Children's Chapel 9:45 Music 10:00 (Everyone does music)	Letz GO Sports 9:30 Children's Chapel 2:45 Art 2:30	Letz GO Sports 9:30
*cost extra \$45 monthly	Chapel is for 3 yrs & up	Chapel for 3 yrs & up	Chapel for 3 yrs & up	



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



### 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!

### We Get MESSY

Reminder – We get messy at school! Learning involves lots of mess! Keep this in mind when dressing your kids and also send extra labeled clothes.



### Monthly Fire Drill

Our last fire drill was held on August 27th. The drill went well as our children exited the building in 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....



### Staff Anniversaries

Another sign of a lasting program is having long-lasting staff. We have many staff that have been here for 6 plus years. August 29th was Julie Keller's anniversary with our program. She has been back with our Cubs for a year after her break! We are so thankful for her heart to love on our sweet babies! It takes a special gift to work with our infants and Ms. Julie has it! Congratulations, Julie. We appreciate all you do!



### Art with Ms. Jacey

The kids have been loving art this month with Ms. Jacey! Ms. Jacey is bringing creativity and energy to our little artists in the making! All classes have been able to enjoy art with her! It's one of our favorite specials of the day!





## 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.



## Let's GO Sports

Let's GO sports is an introduction to 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 shirts on the day you attend!

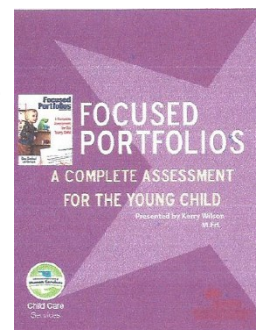
## Music Classes

Your monthly tuition also includes Music class on Wednesdays. Each week we have Miss Jordan brings 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, backgrounds, 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:

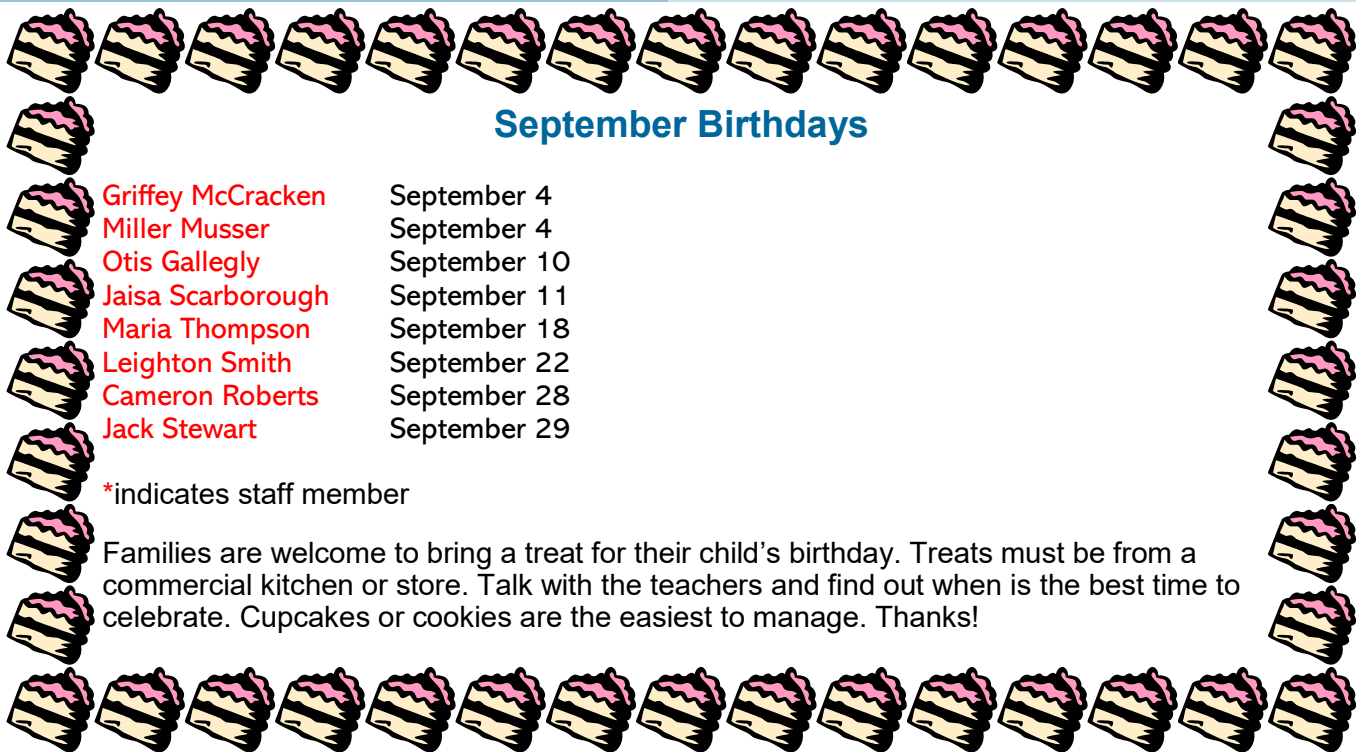


- ⇒ Create a photo collage of your immediate or extended family
- ⇒ Write about a special family event or trip and include a photo
- ⇒ Share how your child's name was selected
- ⇒ Describe a family hobby or typical weekend pastime





## September Birthdays



-  Griffey McCracken September 4
-  Miller Musser September 4
-  Otis Gallegly September 10
-  Jaisa Scarborough September 11
-  Maria Thompson September 18
-  Leighton Smith September 22
-  Cameron Roberts September 28
-  Jack Stewart September 29

\*indicates staff member

Families are welcome to bring a treat for their child's birthday. Treats 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 the easiest to manage. Thanks!



Please join us for worship at Nichols Hills United Methodist Church. We offer a traditional service at 10:00 a.m. Sunday School classes are offered at 9:45 a.m. Children and youth services are offered. We would love to see you!

## Switzer's Ground Zero Sunday



**"Some people save dogs... our dogs save people."**

**Becky and Barry Switzer**



SWITZER LEGACY  
groundzerosaveslives.com

**Sunday, September 8, 2024**

**10:00 a.m. - Church Service**  
Becky and Barry Switzer and Pastor Jim Perkin

**11:00 a.m. - Reception**  
Meet the Switzers  
and their search and rescue canines



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# September Afternoon Snacks 2024



P.M. snacks are provided by TLC; A.M. snacks by families Except for Cubs				
2 Labor Day TLC CLOSED	6 Nutri-Grain Bars	7 Cheese Stix & Ritz Crackers	8 Cheese Puffs & Go-Gurt	9 Graham Crackers & Pudding
12 Nilla Wafers & Bananas	13 Applesauce & Cheese Stix	14 Pepperoni & Ritz Crackers	15 Veggie Straws & Dried Fruit	16 Apple Chips & Cheese Cubes
19 Goldfish & Applesauce	20 Whole Fruit Strips	21 Quartered Grapes & Cheese Slices	22 Ritz Crackers & Pepperoni	23 Oranges & Crackers
26 Pudding & Graham Crackers	27 Applesauce & Cheese Stix	28 Yogurt & Crackers	29 Granola Bar & Dried fruit	30 Cheese Puffs & Applesauce

## Welcome!!!

### Jacey Jay

Please welcome back our new Art teacher, Jacey Jay! Jacey Jay worked at The Learning Center 7 years ago. She has worked at the Erna Crouch Preschool for the last six years. Her degree is in Education. We are thrilled to have her back at The Learning Center! She has so many creative ideas to incorporate Art with all of our classes. Welcome, Jacey! We are excited to watch you grow at TLC!

### Rachel Henderson

Please help us welcome our new Cheetahs teacher, Rachel Henderson! Rachel has experience working with all ages through 12th grade. She has a degree in Education and a Master's degree in Administration. She also has two little ones of her own. We are thrilled to have her bring her expertise to the Cheetah class and TLC! Welcome, Rachel!





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

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
\$156	\$198	\$156	\$198	\$142

**(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

### Ways to Pay On-line

We offer on-line payments for checks and credit cards. You may set it up for monthly recurring payments or a single payment. 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 UMC 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 the Payment Amount and the 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

