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Greetings from The Learning Choice Academy!

Registration Paperwork Available Now!

Registration paperwork for the 2010-2011 school year is available now. If you are planning to return to TLC next year, please let your EP know and they will have the paperwork ready for you at your next meeting. There is an advantage in registering early. Students will be able to choose their EP and order their curricula so everything will be ready and in place one week before school starts! Of course, we hope to see all of you back next year but if you are not planning to return, please let us know so we can get some information about your educational plans for next year.

Board Member Applications

Parents, it's that time again! Are you interested in serving on TLC's Board of Directors? You can be a TLC Board Member and help the school move forward in the 2010-2011 school year. Board members are required to attend monthly meetings and may be called upon to attend other TLC functions. Fill out the attached "Petition for Candidacy" form and share with other TLC parents why you want to be involved. All petitions for candidacy must be received by **Friday, May 21, 2010**. Voting for Board Members will take place in June.

Proposed Parcel Tax Measure for November 2010

Did you know that charter schools make up more than 10% of all the student population in the San Diego Unified School District? This is important to realize because the district is preparing a parcel tax that would bring \$600 per student to help offset state reductions however the district is only proposing $\frac{1}{4}$ of that money to go to students of their charter schools! This hardly sounds equitable. If you would like to see your students receive equal treatment, please talk to your EP and ask to sign a letter to the district's Board of Trustees asking the parcel tax money be divided on a per student basis for ALL public school students, including The Learning Choice Academy

Post-Testing Party

We are all pumped up about this year's post testing party! Students that participate in all 3 days of STAR testing will be eligible for this FREE special event. While the Mission Valley trip was last week, you can still sign up to attend the Murrieta trip if you were not able to attend.

At SkyHigh Party Zone, TLC will have the run of 9,000 sq ft bounce room which won the 2009 Nickelodeon Parents' Choice Award for the Best Indoor Playspace in the San Diego and Riverside Areas. You can jump on one of six huge bouncers, play ping-pong, air hockey, shuffleboard and arcade games. Then test your singing skills on the karaoke stage. Have a blast in our new Glow-in-the-dark air cannon ball room where you will go head to head with up to four friends and then become a target yourself as you run into the middle to get more ammo! Socks required. Non-participants are

free.

Date: Monday, May 24, 2010

Time: 10 am – 2 pm

Location: 26670 Madison Avenue, Murrieta, CA 92562

Fee: Free for testing students (2nd-11th grade that attend all 3 testing days). \$8 participants (sibling/parents).

RSVP at your site.

Final Writing Workshops of the Year!

Join Sandee Bach for parent/student workshops on teaching writing. At our next workshop, we are going to be looking at the trait of Conventions. The workshops will be hosted at the La Mesa site on **Thursday, May 13** and the Scripps Ranch site on **Tuesday, May 18** from 9-11am Sign up by filling out the RSVP form at your site. There is limited space, so be sure to reserve a place you and your student ASAP. Babysitting not available.

Baseball Game: Padres vs. Dodgers

TLC is heading to Petco Park for a family fun night on **Friday, May 14** at 7:05 pm for a game against the LA Dodgers. You can get up to 30% off ticket prices. Update:

Pavilion Seats are no longer available for this game. Another mid-level seating area may be available—check upcoming weekly bulletins for updates. **Time:** 7:05 pm,

Location: Petco Park

Fee: field box reserved \$31, Upper reserved \$9.50. Min. 50 tickets RSVP by: April 16, 2010.

Monte Carlo Prom

This year, The Learning Choice Academy is raising the stakes! The high school prom will be full of glitz and glamour. Prom will feature multiple gaming stations, chances to win and earn prizes, and back for a second year in a row—XTFD, Xtremem Fun DJ. So sign up now and get ready for some non-stop fun!

Date: **Thursday, May 20, 2010** (Date has changed!). **Time:** 7:00PM to 11:00PM.

Location: Starlight Ballroom, The Bristol Hotel: 1055 First Avenue, San Diego, CA 92101. **Fee:** \$50 Per Person. **RSVP:** April 23, 2010

Seussical: The Musical—DEADLINE EXTENDED

“After all these years being stuck on a page, did you ever imagine you’d see me onstage? Now I’m here, there is no telling what may ensue! No, there’s no telling what! But I’ll give you a clue...” So says the mischievous Cat in the Hat in this fantastical, magical, musical extravaganza! Join TLC as we watch "Seussical: The Musical" on **Saturday, May 22.**

Time: 3-5 pm (check-in at 2:30 pm). **Location:** Mater Dei Catholic High School, 1615 Mater Dei Dr, Chula Vista, CA. **Fee:** \$8 per person. RSVP by Friday, **May 14**, 2010. Min. 10.

Stars on Ice

The Stars of Vancouver are coming to you LIVE on **Saturday, May 22** for Smucker's Stars on Ice. Fresh off the ice in Vancouver, the Stars will bring the excitement of their performances directly to you. The Smucker's on Ice Tour captures their spirit as it visits cities across the USA, each for one night only. Don't miss your only opportunity to see Olympic Silver Medalist Sasha Cohen , World Champion and Olympic Gold Medalist Evan Lysacek, Olympic Silver Medalists Tanith Belbin & Benjamin Agosto and MORE of the world's best skaters in this magical combination of artistry, athleticism, and great music - all in one show!

Time: 7:30 pm **Location:** San Diego Sports Arena **Fee:** \$39 (end lower level) OR \$14 (end loge or Terrace). **Parking:** \$20.00 Min. 10. RSVP by Monday, May 3.

PETCO Park Tour

On **Friday, May 28**, take a tour of PETCO Park! The tour lasts about 75 minutes and visits many behind-the-scenes areas of the ballpark such as the press box, a private suite, a luxury lounge, the dugout/warning track area and the historic Western Metal Supply Co. Building. The tour discusses the history of the ballpark, some San Diego/ baseball history, and lots of information on how the ballpark operates.

Time: 11:30 am-12:45 pm (check-in 11:00 am). **Location:** PETCO Park, 100 Park Boulevard, San Diego, CA 92101. **Fee:** \$4 students, \$8 adults. RSVP by Friday, May 21, 2010.

101 Dalmatians—CANCELLED

The production company for 101 Dalmatians has cancelled the remaining tours in this national show. Therefore, we cannot accept registration for this event, and the field trip scheduled for Wednesday, June 2 has been cancelled. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. If you already RSVP'ed for this trip, you will receive a refund or a credit toward a future field trip.

Knott's Soak City

On **Friday, June 11**, start off your summer with a splash. There are slides of all kinds for all ages-speed slides, body slides, and tube slides. You can drift around the lazy river in an inner tube. Ride a raft on Pacific Spin or Coronado Express. Catch the surf at Balboa Bay in the wave pool. Height restrictions apply for some rides. Visit Gremmie Lagoon, Dick's Beach House or Tyke's Trough for younger kids play area and slides. Soak up the sun and enjoy the day with TLC families.

You can purchase a meal ticket for \$8 which includes all-you-can-eat hot dogs, hamburgers, fruit, chips and drinks at the event from 11 am – 1 pm. Extended units cannot be used to purchase food. The food tickets are also only valid on the day of our field trip. However, the waterpark tickets can be used throughout the 2010 season.

Time: 10 am – 6 pm. 9:30 am check-in. **Location:** 2052 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista, CA 91911.

Fee: \$18 per person. Additional fee for parking. RSVP by: Friday, May 28.

Extended Class Reminders

Please remember that the last day to submit Request for Payment or Reimbursement forms is **May 28, 2010**. All invoices must be received by the last day of school, **June 11, 2010**, or they will not be paid.

Ireland, Wales and England Spring of 2011—Save \$100

Sign up now and start saving for your trip of a lifetime; the longer you wait the more the price goes up so lock in your price today and sign-up. Cost is currently \$2,276.00 or 8 monthly payments of \$272.16 if you sign up today. See the itinerary for Ireland at www.myexplorica.com (tour center id: Gooding-3393). If you have further questions, please contact Debi @ dgooding@learningchoice.org

Help TLC Earn Cash for Drink Pouches!

Save your extra Capri Sun drink pouches and bring them to your TLC site. Our school gets money for each pouch we collect, and the pouches get made into awesome school gear, so bring them all! Thanks to La Mesa EP Cathy Kniss for heading up this effort.

Forgotten Math for Parents—Parent Workshop

When's the last time you had to do fractions or solve a percentage problem? Does the word Algebra strike fear in your heart? Come to the new Sylvan Seminar "Forgotten Math for Parents". This FREE, fun, interactive 60 minute seminar will help you overcome your math fears – so homework time with your child isn't quite so scary. You'll travel from station to station revisiting some of the math skills you may have forgotten – guided by Sylvan teachers along the way. It's a fun way to "freshen up on fractions" and other skills. Your children will be impressed when you start helping them with their homework again!

The "Forgotten Math for Parents" Seminar will be held:

Date: Saturday, May 22, 2010

Time: 4:15 PM

Location: Sylvan Learning of Bonita - 4450 Bonita Rd 91902

Sign up now – tell a friend. Tell a parent! NOT JUST FOR PARENTS... open to anyone who would like a free refresher, courtesy of Sylvan Learning of Bonita! Please pre-register at 619-267-8705 or sylvanbonitacd@gmail.com. This workshop is subject to cancellation due to low interest. This is not a TLC-sponsored event.

Important Dates to Remember

May 11-12:	CAHSEE Testing
May 13:	Writing Workshop, La Mesa—"Conventions"
May 14:	Field Trip: Baseball Game (Padres vs. Dodgers)
May 17-21:	Sixth Grade Camp
May 17:	Field Trip: Marine Science Floating Lab
May 18:	Writing Workshop, Scripps Ranch—"Conventions"
May 20:	High School Prom
May 22:	Field Trip: Stars on Ice

May 27: Disneyland Grad Nite
May 24: Post-Testing Party: Murrieta
June 2: Field Trip: 101 Dalmatians—CANCELLED
June 4: Research Showcase & Field Day
June 10: Senior Graduation and 8th Grade Promotion
June 11: Field Trip: Knott's Soak City
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