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The Learning Choice Newsletter

FROM THE DIRECTOR'S OFFICE

Welcome Back to TLC families old and new. I am very excited about this year—there are so many new classes and programs for you!

Project Lead the Way (also known as PLTW) is one of the exciting classes being offered this year for our middle-school students (grades 6-8). PLTW is an engaging and thought-provoking curriculum, where students develop critical thinking skills through hands-on project-based learning, preparing them to take on real-world challenges. Students will have the opportunity to create, design and build things like robots and cars, applying what they are learning in math and science to the world's grand challenges. This program instructs students in the STEM-related fields of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math. Space is limited to 25 students, and this program is only being offered at our La Mesa and Chula Vista sites.

Jason Project is another exciting program being offered at our Scripps Ranch site. The JASON Project is home to one of the world's most innovative experiential-learning programs for science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM). The JASON Project connects students with scientists and researchers in real- and near-real time, virtually and physically, to provide mentored, authentic and enriching science learning experiences. JASON and its partners create these connections using multiple platforms and technologies, including award-winning, standards-based classroom curriculum developed with NOAA, NASA, National Geographic Society and others. This program is developed for our 6-8 grade students.

A.I.M. (Achieve, Inspire, and Motivate) Academy is a program for our students K-5. The learning model is based around two days on site and three days at home. Students will receive more instructions in project based, cooperative learning than they would receive at home . This is a perfect blend for parents looking for extra support. Classes are limited to 20 seats per K-1, 2-3 and 4-5 grades. Teachers have been busy planning exciting project-based activities and can't wait to share what they have done.

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- Sign up for Full Day classes at the beginning of September
- Meet our new staff

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For our 11th and 12th graders we have an awesome yearlong internship class. The goals for the TLC Internship Program are to provide “real world” work experience for students, to contribute to the development of career interests, and to enable students to develop productive work habits and positive attitudes while creating lasting career connections. Before beginning an internship, students will be exposed to a variety of career development opportunities, resume writing skills, interviewing skills, and other career exploration activities such as career interest inventories, personality assessments and opportunities to connect with professionals from a variety of career and industry clusters. Ideally, the internship will be related to a career path the student is interested in exploring to provide practical work experience.

Even though we have some great new programs to better our school and give our families more choices, we still have our wonderful CHOICE program and full day for our K-12 students, and continually try to improve upon them as well. Here's to another wonderful year.

Welcome, New TLC Staff!

TLC has hired a number of new teachers and other support staff. We'd like to welcome the following new staff members to the school!

Angela Aiello

Angela has been hired as TLC's new **School Psychologist**. She has a Master's degree in Educational Psychology from Chapman University, and a BA in Psychology with a Sociology minor from SDSU. Angela has several years of experience as a school psychologist working with Total Education Solutions and as an intern, and has also served as a court-appointed special advocate and educational surrogate in the court system.



Christina Adamek

Christina is an experienced EAK and Kindergarten teacher from the La Mesa-Spring Valley School District. Along with teaching, she has helped choreograph and produce school plays, musicals, and talent shows. She has a California Reading Certificate and is trained in differentiating learning to meet the needs of all students at their individual learning level. Before she started teaching, she was a narrator, tour guide, and sleepover counselor at Sea World. Christina will be the **K-1 AIM teacher in Scripps Ranch**.

Andrea Franco

Andrea spent two years teaching Spanish at Gompers Preparatory Academy here in San Diego. She also spent several years teaching in Kalamazoo, Michigan. Andrea spent six months in Tijuana working as an English teacher for a religious group, and also studied abroad for several months at La Universidad de Cantabria in Santander, Spain. She will be a **Bilingual Educational Partner in Chula Vista**.

Ana Knudsen

Ana has over a decade of teaching experience in grades K through 8, several of which were spent working directly with homeschooled students. She is National Board Certified in English as a New Language, and studied at the Universidad Autonoma de Baja California in Tijuana before becoming a teacher. She has also taught a dual-immersion Spanish/English class for 5th and 6th graders. Ana will be an **Educational Partner in Chula Vista**.

Katie Leonard

Katie is dedicated to teaching about science, whether as a health educator focusing on breastfeeding or a public service employee teaching inner-city students about gardening and nutrition. Katie has had several years of teaching experience in the Boston, MA area, and also taught at High Tech Middle and Media Arts schools here in San Diego. She is credentialed in teaching biology. Katie will be an **Educational Partner in La Mesa.**

Lora Morlan-Sanders

Lora was the production manager for ABC's show *Extreme Makeover: Home Edition* for four years before joining TLC. She also co-created the organization PIER (Partners in Environmental Respect) at the La Mesa-Spring Valley School District. Lora is our new **Events Assistant.**

Nancy O'Fallon

Nancy has been a teacher for over 25 years. She began her teaching career working with deaf and hard-of-hearing students, and has also taught 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade in the La Mesa-Spring Valley School District. Nancy believes that a successful classroom has a foundation built on clear expectations that are consistently met, and that students become enthusiastic lifelong learners when their minds are opened to new ways of thinking. Nancy will teach the **4-5 AIM classes in Chula Vista.**

Michelle Twedt

Michelle is new to the teaching field, and specializes in teaching math to K-8 students. She was a student teacher at both La Presa Middle School and Sweetwater Springs Elementary School in the La Mesa-Spring Valley School District. Michelle will teach the **4-5 AIM classes in Scripps Ranch.**

Anne-Marie Tweed

Anne-Marie will be TLC's new full-time **Speech Language Pathologist Assistant.** Some of you already know Anne-Marie, since she has worked with many of your students during speech therapy at TLC through her work with the Crimson Center. We're excited to have her on board full-time!

Colleen Walker

Colleen is an experienced teacher of elementary-age students in the Chula Vista. Her most recent teaching experience was at Chula Vista Learning Community Charter School. Colleen will teach the **K-1 AIM classes in Chula Vista.**

Katie Wardell

Katie has taught grades 2 through 5 for the last seven years in the La Mesa-Spring Valley School District. She has experience working with the school site council and on a writing assessment committee, and is trained in working with GATE students and using Project GLAD to work with English learners. Katie will be the **2-3 AIM teacher in Scripps Ranch.**

Kevin White

Kevin spent several semesters teaching Global Studies at West Hills High School in the Grossmont Union School District. Before becoming a full-time teacher, he worked as an ESL instructor at the Converse International School of Languages, and has also worked as a music reviewer and a sketch artist. Kevin will be an **Educational Partner** splitting his time between Chula Vista and La Mesa.

Angie Wilson

Angie has been in the field of education for over 25 years. She started at the University level at SDSU, working with executive students. She has also taught first, second and fifth grades at various schools in the area, and has also taught several afterschool intervention groups in both language arts and mathematics. Angie will be the **K-1 AIM teacher in La Mesa.**

School News

NEW CELL PHONE POLICY



TLC has instituted a new cell phone policy this year. TLC's policy on cell phone usage, following state and federal guidelines, is that students may not bring cell phones, pagers, and other electronic signaling devices on school campuses during instructional hours. If students have a cell phone on campus, it must be in a teacher's custody. Students may possess cell phones at off-campus school-sponsored activities, However, these cell phones must be kept off at all times during these activities. Students are not allowed to access the Internet through their phones at any time while on school property, whether or not they are in class.

The Learning Choice Academy is not responsible for cell phones and other electronic devices that are lost while on a TLC campus. This includes devices that are in a teacher's possession. If students want to retain control over their electronic devices, they should leave them at home or in the car while on campus.

AIM ACADEMY UPDATES

Please review the below schedule for the first week of school:

Chula Vista and Scripps Ranch sites:

- **Tuesday, September 6**—First day of school, scheduled parent meetings
- **Wednesday, September 7**—scheduled parent meetings
- **Thursday, September 8**—scheduled parent meetings
- **Friday, September 9**—First onsite class

*Parents signed up for their scheduled parent meetings at the AIM meetings on August 17th and 23rd.

*Please come with your students to your meetings to complete paperwork and assessments.

La Mesa site:

- **Tuesday, September 6**—First day of school, scheduled parent meetings
- **Wednesday, September 7**—scheduled parent meetings
- **Thursday, September 8**—First onsite class
- **Friday, September 9**—scheduled parent meetings

*Parents signed up for their scheduled parent meetings at the AIM meetings on August 17th and 23rd.

*Please come with your students to your meetings to complete paperwork and assessments.



AIM PARENT CURRICULUM WORKSHOPS

We will be offering a series of **parent curriculum workshops** for AIM. The focus of this workshop will be writing. In order to keep learning cohesive within our triad (the student, parent, and teacher) of learning these workshops are **imperative**.

Wednesday, September 14th- La Mesa Families from 9-11am

Thursday, September 15th- Chula Vista and Scripps Ranch families respectively from 9-11am.



BOARD ELECTION RESULTS

The results are in! You voted and Michelle Hellerud, a parent of two La Mesa students, has been elected the newest parent representative on the school's Board of Directors. Additionally, Kristen Cavanaugh has been appointed as the newest representative from the Educational Community.

TLC would also like to thank Candy Todash for her two years of dedicated service on our board. We will miss you, Candy!

NEW EXTENDED UNITS FORMS

You can get new 2011-2012 extended unit forms on-line or from your site. Here are a few reminders for timely processing of your extended units:

- New paperwork must be completed for every student and class as it is a new school year. **Paperwork does not automatically roll over** so please make sure that you get your paperwork in for the new school year.
- One Student and one class per form. If you have two students in the same class, you need to submit two separate forms.
- Paperwork must be filled out completely in order for it to be processed.
- All Request and Reimbursement forms must be turned in **no later than the last day of the month** that you are using funds and the classes are being taken.



Tips for timely extended unit payments:

- Make sure the provider has filed a W-9 form for the new school year with TLC.
- Submit all forms directly to the main office in La Mesa instead of to your Educational Partner
- All requests for extended units must be done in writing using TLC's forms.

If you have a question about your Extended Units account, please check with your Educational Partner.

NEW LOCATIONS

TLC has been growing! Since the school has added on-site classes this year, we also needed to add classroom space in Chula Vista and La Mesa. AIM classes, as well as some middle and high school classes, will be held at these new locations.

Chula Vista: 881 Kuhn Drive, #105-106, Chula Vista, CA 91914

This location is located 0.7 miles from the main site, across the street from the Post Office and next to Scobee Park.

La Mesa: Suite 325 at the current location

This suite is upstairs and across the lower parking lot, next to the administrative offices. TLC now has the entire upper floor and 1/2 of the first floor of building 3, as well as the entire first floor of building 1.

ACCELERATED READER/ACCELERATED MATH

This year, we are excited to launch Accelerated Reader and Accelerated Math programs!

Accelerated Reader (AR) helps you:

- Make essential reading practice more effective for every student.
- Personalize reading practice to each student's current level.
- Manage all reading activities including *read to*, *read with*, and *read independently*.
- Assess students' reading with four types of quizzes: **Reading Practice**, **Vocabulary Practice**, **Literacy Skills**, and Textbook Quizzes.
- Build a lifelong love of reading and learning.



Accelerated Math's advanced technology helps you provide the **essential math practice** component of your math curriculum. This classroom-proven software:

- Creates math assignments tailored to each student's current level.
- Automatically scores all **math practice**, including assignments and tests.
- Provides ongoing feedback on students' daily practice.
- Helps you **differentiate math instruction**, addressing each student's individual needs.

Talk to your EP to get set up with the program. We are excited to help you encourage a love of reading and math in your students. TLC is offering student prizes at monthly assemblies to reward students for number of pages they have read, and students will also get to choose a prize from the Treasure Chest every time they advance one level. The ten students who achieve the most points for the year will win a free movie ticket. If students meet the goals they set with their EPs, they will be able to get 50% off of laser tag at the end of year/post testing event.



TLC GOLF TOURNAMENT FUNDRAISER

TLC is excited to invite students, families and friends to join us in a fundraising first. TLC is hosting a Charity Golf Tournament to help raise money for our computer labs. The event will be held on **Saturday, October 15** at Sun Valley golf course in La Mesa. Registration begins on August 26. Costs are \$50 for adults (17+) and \$40 for youths (10-16); each registration includes lunch. We will be doing a shotgun-style event with teams of four starting at each hole.

Each team must have at least two adults. Following the tournament there will be an awards ceremony with fun and exciting prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place. This is a great opportunity for families to spend quality time together.

In addition to our tournament, TLC is also offering advertising opportunities for TLC friends and family. Help advertise your company with a sign marker at one or more holes. You can purchase a hole marker for \$100. For a smaller donation of \$50, you can hang your company banners. Advertising information must be submitted no later than September 30th. And, for all you beginners, we will be selling mulligan certificates during check-in. Each certificate costs \$5 and is good for one re-do shot. Please contact Renee or Lora at the La Mesa site (events@learningchoice.org or 619-463-6849) if you have questions or would like more information.

EMH SPORTS P.E. PROGRAM

TLC offers a partnership with EMH Sports and Fitness Institute, a park-based provider, to provide physical education classes to our students. TLC will pay the cost of the program for any K-12 students who enroll, and students do not need to use their units to pay the cost. To see details about where these classes are offered, visit <http://www.emhsports.com>.



Process:

Step 1. Fill out the Physical Education Registration/Agreement to Pay form at your site for every student who will be enrolling and have your EP sign it.

Step 2: After you get a TLC Registration/Agreement to Pay form signed by your EP, register online at <http://www.emhsports.com> for your classes

- A. Create a user account
- B. Create student profiles for each student who will be enrolling
- C. Once all of the necessary information has been received you will get a confirmation e- mail saying that your enrollment is complete.

Step 3: After you have registered online, bring the TLC form to your first EMH class so the instructor can sign it.

Step 4: Once the form has been signed by the student, parent, EP, and EMH instructor, return it to your site.

Payments will not be made unless all steps have been completed. Although these P.E. classes are optional, once a student signs up for the class, weekly attendance is mandatory. A registration form needs to be completed and signed by the 5th of each month to ensure placement in the class that month (the deadline will be September 9 for the first month of school). If student misses more than two classes in a month parent will be responsible for payment.

STAR Students

In every newsletter, TLC likes to publicize the great accomplishments of its students. If you have something exciting to report about a TLC student, or would like to recognize the contributions of a TLC staff member, you can submit this information to your EP or to Audrey (adminservices@learningchoice.org).



Rose Halley (1st grader from Chula Vista) was promoted to Ballet a year early. Congrats Rose. **Rose** and **Lily Halley** (6th grader from Chula Vista) performed in their dance recital and did a great job. Congrats Girls! Keep on Dancing!

Welcome Back Picnic

Ready, set, race to this year's welcome back picnic at MonteValle Park in Eastlake on **Monday, September 19** from 10 am – 2 pm. Rev up for the new school year at this race-centric event where everything is bigger, better and faster than ever before.

Get in the spirit to race by getting your VIP pit pass and making your own personalized license plate. You may even get to pose next to some of NASCAR's legends or as a driver yourself.

Make a lap around the track full of free activities:

- 70' X 50' Off Road Racing Obstacle Course
- 25' Race Car Slide
- Monster Truck Jump
- Giant Human Hamster Balls
- Remote Control Trucks
- Inflatable Pony Races
- 10' X 30' Bungee Run
- 10' X 20' Slot Car Track
- Roller Racers
- 50' Race Car Trackless Train
- Game Truck with all racing video games
- Pedal Cars with course
- Tire relay races
- Car carnival games with prizes: Pit Stop Challenge, Hot Wheels, and Bumper Cars



Head to Victory Lane to collect awesome raffle prizes such as indoor karting passes, NASCAR merchandise, boating passes, horseback riding, Boomers passes, a free year of field trips and more.

Of course, as is TLC Tradition, be sure to wear your site's colors so you can meet families from your area and represent your TLC race team (Chula Vista=Full Throttle Blue, La Mesa=Pit Crew Green, Scripps Ranch=Extreme Speed Red and Temecula=Burnin' Rubber Yellow). Students will even get a racecar rubber bracelet in their site's color.

Bring a picnic lunch so you can "fuel" up for more fun! Don't forget your blanket and chairs to stake out your spot for the day. This is also your chance to grab TLC gear for the new school year at the best price. Yearbooks are available for \$35 and TLC t-shirts are only \$10. If you purchase any one item you'll receive a one-time-use front-of-the-line fast pass.

Race to bake a cake for the cake walk and receive another one time use front of the line pass! Get creative and make sure your cake is race-themed for a chance to win a prize. Cast your vote for the first-place winner. Tickets for the cake walk can be purchased for \$1 each. Kona Ice will be selling another sweet treat to cool your engine from 11 am–1 pm (\$3 small and \$4 large).

You don't have to drive to a NASCAR track to experience the thrill of racing. You can go full throttle at TLC's kickoff event for your entire family. Get up to speed and RSVP by September 12, 2011.

Upcoming Special Events

SEPTEMBER 26: PICTURE DAY

Mark your calendar! Picture Day is coming **Monday, September 26** from 10 am–12 pm at your TLC site. All students should attend picture day to make sure that they are featured in the school yearbook, which will list all students by grade. We hope to have every TLC student represented this year.

This is also your chance to get your free student ID card, and as an extra bonus we are providing **free parent ID cards** which can be used for teacher discounts at many retail stores. Picture packages are available for purchase. A Picture Day flyer/order form is available now from your Educational Partner. Visit Lifetouch.com for clothing suggestions, online payment details and more.



TALENT SHOW

TLC's got talent. Hear the applause? Practice your best act and come show family and friends what you can do. Singing, dancing, playing a musical instrument, gymnastics or karate demonstrations, comedy, and more will make a great vaudeville show for all ages.

This Hollywood-themed show is sure to make you feel like a star. A red carpet and walk of stars is a fun way to recognize all participants as well as tasty refreshments. We'll have prizes for first, second and third place winners. Winners will be determined by the audience, so be sure to invite everyone you know. See you under the big lights.

Auditions Anyone? Yes, auditions everyone!

Just like with any show you will need to audition. From novice to expert and individual to groups, we can't wait to see you shine. TLC will group participants by age. Ages 5-11 will be in group 1 and ages 12 and up will be in group 2. Be sure to bring everything you need to perform to the audition. This is also a great chance to sneak a peek at the other acts before the big night.

Please look for an announcement about the date, time, and location of this event in the weekly bulletin (it will probably take place in December).

JANUARY 9, 2012: SPELLING BEE



Calling all spectacular spellers! TLC students in grades 2–8 are eligible to participate in our annual school spelling bee on **Monday, January 9**. The event is the buzz of the school because it rewards everyone who participates!

Schedule:

9:30 am	check-in for 7 th and 8 th grade students
10 am	7 th and 8 th grade spelling bee
10:30 am	check-in for 2 nd – 6 th grade students
11 am	2 nd -6 th grade spelling bee
12:30 pm	lunch break before assembly

Prizes:

Just by trying, students can earn a certificate and a prize bag filled with goodies like free kids' meals or slurpees, toys, candy, mini-games and more! Every year students are excited to see what treasures and treats await them.

This year all participants will also receive VIP seating for the assembly (which will offer the best view of the cheetah). TLC also provides grade level 1st, 2nd and 3rd place ribbons and awards. The 7th and 8th grade winner is eligible to attend the San Diego County spelling bee. Everyone who attends our local spelling bee can enter the raffle to win fantastic family prizes.

How to Participate:

Grade-level word lists and registration forms are available at your site, from your Educational Partner or on our website. Be sure to study early and often. Rules and procedures are also available for your reference so students become comfortable with the process before the Bee. Additional games and tips can be accessed at www.spellingbee.com.

Students love to have family and friends attend to recognize their efforts. This is also a favorite event of TLC staff— many EPs attend to cheer on their students. Bring a lunch and plan to stay for the day so you can attend the assembly immediately following the spelling bee. We hope you can “bee” there!

Date: **Monday, January 9, 2012**

Time: 9:30 am -12:30 pm

Location: Hall of Champions, Theatre

Fee: Free

RSVP by: 1/3/2012

FEBRUARY 13, 2012: ART FIELD DAY



Save the date for this year's art field day! This should be a wonderful event. More details coming soon.

Date: **Monday, February 13, 2012**

Time: 10 am - 2 pm

Location: Hall of Champions

Fee: \$5 per TLC Family, \$10 per community member family

Assemblies

This year TLC assemblies will be in Balboa Park at the War Memorial Building (located near the San Diego Zoo). Assemblies are primarily for grades K-8 and are only \$5 per family. Please note extended units may not be used to pay for assemblies.

Each assembly usually includes a presentation or show and hands-on activities. Teacher guides are often available by request. We are excited to announce this year's line-up of amazing programs. Be sure to take advantage of this unique opportunity and register by the deadline to be in the early bird raffle.

OCTOBER 24: LASERS AND ROBOTICS



Laser Space Science Spectacular

Commemorate the 400th year anniversary of Galileo's first astronomical discoveries and the 40th year of Neil Armstrong's first steps on the moon with our newest laser program. Part planetarium program and part laser show, Space Science helps students solve the structure of the solar system following the same clever reasoning that ancient cultures did. This show covers science by addressing structure of the Solar System – Heliocentric vs. Geocentric Models, phases of the Moon, stars and constellations, and a brief history of the American Space Program. You'll also get exposure to new visual technology (lasers), computer animation and even the arts including interpretation of lyrical music, classical music and choreography.

The World of Robots

Students will be amazed as they learn how robots are used today, and the much larger role they will play in our future. Student volunteers will help demonstrate a computer-programmable, mobile robot using its electronic voice, multi-sensors, arm, wrist, and hand. Robot pets with video vision, vocal recognition, artificial intelligence and balancing sensors will "wow" the audience with their playful antics. In addition, a robo-one class humanoid robot will show its all-too-human moves. Upper grade level students will also gain insights into the technologies that have shaped the digital revolution and the unlimited opportunities that lie ahead for their generation.



Date: **Monday, October 24, 2011**

Time: 1- 3 pm

Location: War Memorial Building (2125 Park Blvd., San Diego, CA 92101)

Fee: \$5 per family

RSVP by: 10/14/11

NOVEMBER 21: BIRDS OF PREY AND BIRDHOUSES/OWL PELLETS



Get up close and personal with several birds of prey as you learn about the behaviors and habitats of hawks, owls, falcons and eagles. Students will become educated about the laws we have to protect birds of prey and what to do if you find a sick, injured or orphaned raptor.

After the assembly, participate in a hands-on station where you can learn more about the science of birds by dissecting an owl pellet in a family team. Then start building as you construct your own birdhouse to take home.

Date: **Monday, November 21, 2011**

Time: 1- 3 pm

Location: War Memorial Building (2125 Park Blvd., San Diego, CA 92101)

Fee: \$5 per family

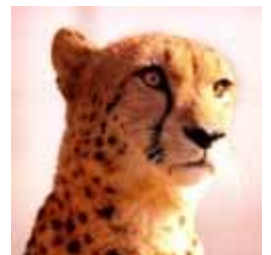
RSVP by: 11/9/11

JANUARY 9: AFRICAN DANCE/DRUM TROOP AND CHEETAH



The 4-person African Dance and Drum Troupe will combine African drumming, dancing, acrobatics, stilt-walking, breathtaking costumes, and innovative choreography. They will portray the songs, drumming, folktales, and traditions of native Africa. Your students will be enthralled with this dynamic and educational experience.

Take our interactive safari from the savannas to the rainforests of Africa to learn about the wildlife and cultures throughout the “dark” continent! Continue your journey through Africa by having the unique opportunity to get up close and personal with a cheetah. Meet Victor, an ambassador cat, as you learn about cheetah conservation and how you can help. TLC will be collecting donations with Coins for Cats jars at each site and present the final amount at the assembly. Please share your change to make a change.



Spelling Bee participants will receive VIP, front-of-room seating at this assembly. The location is also different since the spelling bee will precede the assembly and Victor had special requirements for appearances at a venue.

Date: **Monday, January 9, 2012**

Time: 1- 3 pm

Location: Hall of Champions (Please note the special, alternate location)
2131 Pan American Plaza, San Diego, CA 92101

Fee: \$5 per family

RSVP by: 1/3/12

MARCH 19: READ ACROSS AMERICA

Celebrate Dr. Seuss birthday with a special event! We'll have crafts, shows, authors and birthday cake. Come dressed as your favorite literature character for a prize.

Let Them Eat Books

Will and Company, a masterful group of theater artists, uses a unique blend of storytelling and audience participation to bring literature, folklore and mythology to life. Inspire a love of reading as stories from some of the world's greatest authors are brought to life. Grades K-6

Star-Spangled Poetry

Actor David Prather brings history and language alive in a patriotic parade of poetry that celebrates America, from the poem that inspired our national anthem to other iconic works such as Whitman's *I Hear America Singing* and Guthrie's *This Land is Your Land*. Grades K-8

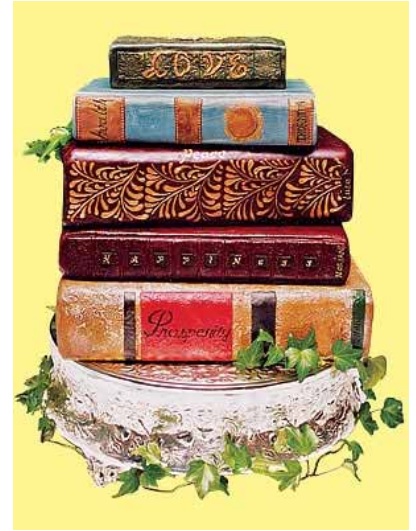
Date: **Monday, March 19, 2012**

Time: 1- 3 pm

Location: War Memorial Building (2125 Park Blvd., San Diego, CA 92101)

Fee: \$5 per family

RSVP by: 3/9/12



Field Trips

LIONS, TIGERS AND BEARS OH MY!

Your visit starts with an introduction to each of our big cats. You will learn each of their rescue stories and general facts about each cat species. Next your group will move to our domestic animals and we'll talk about the similarities and differences between how you treat the exotic big cats and how you treat domestic animals.

In addition to being home to 17 species, there is a rich history to explore on your visit. Lions Tigers & Bears is located on what once was a stage coach stop and on your visit you can see the historical adobe structure that still exists today. The ranch is 93 acres in size. There is a volunteer office, picnic area, barn, farm animal encounter area and the habitats for our rescued big cats. Part of the barn serves as an onsite medical care center which allows us to perform routine medical exams and minor surgeries without transporting the cats. Additional Lions, Tigers and Bears waiver required.

Date: **Wednesday, September 14**

Time: 9 am – 12 pm. 8:45 am check-in.

Location: 24402 Martin Way, Alpine, CA 91901

Fee: \$10 Students/siblings, \$15 Adults. 20 min./40 max.

RSVP by: Wednesday, September 7

SEPTEMBER 15: RENDEZVOUS IN POWAY-SPECIAL SCHOOL TOUR

Experience the Old West over 150 years ago as history comes to life at Old Poway Park! Young adventurers will journey through a frontier trading camp and have the opportunity to explore how mountain men and women, trappers, cowboys, Native Americans, soldiers and miners lived and survived when the West was wild! Students will discover gold on the banks of Rattlesnake Creek and interactive spinning and weaving demonstrations will dazzle pioneers in Templars Hall. This hands-on tour will provide a glimpse of the daily lives of the men and women that played such a pivotal role in American history. Everyone that participates must pay the fee.

Date: **Thursday, September 15**

Time: 9:30 am – 11:30 am. 9:15 am check-in.

Location: Old Poway Park

Fee: \$4 per person. 20 min/30 max

RSVP by: Friday, September 9

SEPTEMBER 16: DISNEY'S PHINEAS AND FERB: THE BEST LIVE TOUR EVER!

“Mom! Phineas and Ferb are going on a LIVE tour!!!”

Phineas, Ferb, and the whole tri-state area gang embark on a bold escape jumping out from behind your TV and onto the stage in a live action adventure – right in your hometown! And, before you can wonder, “Hey, where’s Perry?” the beloved pet platypus shifts to his secret double life as Agent P to foil another one of Dr. Doofenshmirtz’s evil plans. Musical madness abounds in an escapade so awesome that even Candace can’t help but join the hilarious hijinks. It’s the ultimate end to summer vacation, so seize the day ‘cause Phineas and Ferb are gonna do it all! Children under 1 year of age are free.



Date: **Friday, September 16**

Time: 4pm – 6pm. 3:30 pm check-in.

Location: Valley View Casino Center (formerly San Diego Sports Arena)

Fee: \$19.50 Loge, \$12.50 Terrace. Additional fee for parking 10 min/20 max

RSVP by: Friday, September 9.

SEPTEMBER 21: BLUE MAN GROUP

Best known for their wildly popular theatrical shows and concerts which combine comedy, music, and technology to produce a totally unique form of entertainment, **BLUE MAN GROUP** is an intensely exciting and wildly outrageous show that leaves the entire audience in a blissful, euphoric state! This unique experience is a form of entertainment like nothing else; guaranteed to be an outing you will never forget. Presented by Broadway San Diego.

Date: **Wednesday, September 21**

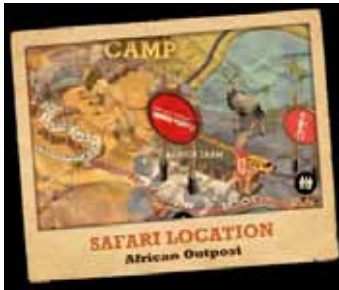
Time: 7 pm – 9 pm. 6:30 pm check-in.

Location: San Diego Civic Theatre

Fee: \$49 per person Section B. \$23 per person Section C

RSVP by: Friday, September 9

OCTOBER 13-14: SD ZOOFARI PARK SLEEPOVER AND CARAVAN TOUR



Notice: Date has been changed. Attend an incredible Safari Overnight program, where you will experience the wonders of the Park before settling into your sleeping bags to the sounds of lions roaring and elephants trumpeting! Included in each program: Tent for the night, BBQ dinner, campfire program and snack, hot breakfast, glow-in-the-dark T-shirt, animal encounters, guided walking tours, exclusive Tram Safari tour, and activities aligned to California Science Standards. Best of all, you

can spend the next day exploring the Park on your own or add the caravan program to increase the fun! This field trip will be chaperoned by TLC staff.

Night Owls—Nocturnal animals are all around us, but we rarely see them. Discover how these animals flourish when the rest of us are fast asleep. Meet several nocturnal animal ambassadors up close; compare them with a diurnal ambassador the next morning.

Life Sciences, Investigation, Experimentation Grades 3-5 Minimum 30/Maximum 60

Caravan Tour-The Artists' Journey. Unleash your students' wild artistic skills with this special visual arts caravan. Led by our own professional artist, your students' adventure begins with an introduction on how to draw animals. Then hop aboard a caravan truck to journey into one of our large field exhibits. All necessary art supplies are provided and are yours to keep. Overnight campers will have first priority on this field trip. Minimum 15 / Maximum 30

Date: **Thursday, October 13, 2011 and Friday, October 14, 2011**

Time: Overnight— 3 pm on October 13 to 9 am on October 14

Location: San Diego Wild Animal Park

Fee: \$99 per camper for overnight. \$33 per person for caravan tour. 10 min./ 40 max

RSVP by: Monday, September 19.

OCTOBER 5: DISNEY ON ICE TREASURE TROVE

Discover endless riches when Disney On Ice's Treasure Trove comes to your hometown! Disney On Ice sets the gold standard with its newest skating spectacular. Get tangled up in Disney's 50th animated feature with Rapunzel and Flynn and enter the worlds of your other favorite Disney princesses – Tiana, Cinderella, Jasmine, Ariel, Sleeping Beauty, Belle, Mulan and of course, the one who started it all, Snow White. Ahoy, Mateys! Set sail with Peter Pan, the always sassy Tinker Bell and the cantankerous Captain Hook & his pirate pals on an adventure beyond Neverland! Trek the wilds of Africa with Simba, Nala, Pumbaa and Timon as they discover the true meaning of the 'Circle of Life.' Tick-Tock! Tick-Tock! Don't be late to a very important date with Alice & the Mad Hatter as they march with the Queen of Hearts' Army Of Cards. Be sure to see this show full of memories guaranteed to last a lifetime.

Date: **Wednesday, October 5, 2011**

Time: 7 pm – 9 pm

Location: Valley View Casino Center
(formerly San Diego Sports Arena)

Fee: \$12.50 Loge/Terrace. 10 min/20 max

RSVP by: Friday, September 30



OCTOBER 14: ALICE IN WONDERLAND

Based on Lewis Carroll's famous children's tale, this magical dance adaptation follows Alice on her adventures. Please note this show is a preview dress rehearsal especially for schools. Prices are regularly \$25 children and \$25-\$60 adults so this is an excellent value. For more information

www.californiaballet.org

Date: **Friday, October 14, 2011**

Time: 7 pm – 9 pm. 6:30 pm check-in.

Location: Poway Center for the Performing Arts (15498 Espola Road, Poway, CA 92064)

Fee: \$5 Students/Siblings and \$15 Adults. 10 min/30 max.

RSVP by: September 30, 2011

OCTOBER 18: SCIENCE MAGIC

Use the scientific method to explore secrets of magic that are based in science, while discovering that science is truly magical.

Edutainment Arts presents an interactive and hilarious look into these mysteries for students in grades K-8.

Date: **Tuesday, October 18, 2011**

Time: 11:30 am - 12:30 pm. 11 am check-in

Location: California Center for the Arts, Escondido (340 North Escondido Blvd, Escondido, CA 92025)

Fee: \$3 per person. 10 min/30 max

RSVP by: Friday, October 7.



Additional field trips and registration forms are always available online. Please check our website regularly for more updates!

Counselor's Corner



PSAT TEST

What is the PSAT?

The Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test is intended to help students prepare for the SAT. The test measures your skills in critical reading, mathematics and writing. It is not a quiz based on specific facts. And don't worry about whether a low PSAT score might prevent you from getting into the college of your choice; the PSAT isn't used to determine college admission. You may sometimes see the test written as "PSAT/NMSQT." The second part stands for [National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test](#). The National Merit Scholarship Corporation uses PSAT scores to determine how to distribute their national merit-based scholarships. If you score high enough on the PSAT (and meet additional academic requirements), you may qualify for the National Merit Scholarship Program, where you will have a chance to win money for college tuition.

When is the test given?

The PSAT test will take place at the La Mesa school site on **October 12, 2011** at 10:00AM. Please allow 3 hours for the test.

How do I register?

Email: counselor@learningchoice.org, but hurry only 15 spots available! It will be on a first come first serve basis. Test is opened to 10th and 11th graders.

WORK PERMITS

Need a Work Permit?

Students may obtain a work permit through the school counselor. Student must be in good academic and behavior standing in order for a work permit to be issued. Guidelines set forth by the state of California on the work permit must also be followed. The work permit needs to be filled out in its entirety in order for processing; this includes all phone numbers, addresses, signatures and insurance information. Work permits will not be issued if ANY information is missing. Please allow one week for processing the temporary work permit. The official work permit is issued through the San Diego work permit office and is mailed directly to the employer with in six weeks pending approval. For further questions please contact Jeff Fechner at counselor@learningchoice.org





California High School Exit Examination

CAHSEE

Passing the California High School Exit Examination (CAHSEE) is a graduation requirement. The CAHSEE assesses California academic content standards for English-Language Arts and Mathematics. CAHSEE results are being used for state and federal accountability purposes. The CAHSEE must be administered according to state standards and guidelines. There is no cost for the test. Testing must be conducted on the specific dates listed below to ensure security of the test throughout the state.

Test sessions will start at 9:00AM, with check in at 8:30 at each school site. The first CAHSEE test dates will be November 1 & 2. This test administration is open to all TLC 11th and 12th graders.

Tuesday, November 1, 9AM--English Language Arts portion of the test.

Wednesday, November 2, 9AM—Mathematics portion of the test.

Need help studying? Talk to your EP to get a CAHSEE study guide. You can also find exam blueprints, released test questions, and study guides online at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/hs/resources.asp>

A look ahead to the other testing dates...

English–Language Arts (Tuesday)	Mathematics (Wednesday)	Grades
November 1, 2011	November 2, 2011	11, 12
February 7, 2012	February 8, 2012	10, 11, 12
May 8, 2012	May 9, 2012	11, 12

Class Registration

Don't forget to register for on-site classes! You can pick up class registration forms at your site. Forms and schedules are also available online at <http://www.thelearningchoice.org>

Full Day registration begins on September 6 at 8:00 am. Registration forms may be returned in person, by fax or mail to your site. Applications received before September 6 will not be accepted. **You can get registration forms online at our website, including enrollment FAQs** (they will not be mailed this year). Registrations for new Full Day students will be processed in the order received beginning **Tuesday, September 6**. Registrations for Core Only and Adventure Only students will be processed after registrations for students who are attending an entire day of classes. Educational Partners will be notified that students have been officially enrolled in Full Day. Families can find out whether or not they are enrolled in Full Day by calling their EP or looking at the physical list posted at each site starting on **September 20**.

Middle/high school class registration forms will be accepted at any time at your local site. You must fill out a registration form to be enrolled in any on-site class. Pick up a form online or at your site.

Middle/High School Classes

MANDATORY INFORMATION MEETING

There will be a mandatory meeting on **Thursday, September 8th** for parents of middle school and high school students attending on-site classes. Parents will have the opportunity to meet with the students' teachers and will receive information in regarding the following:

- Class syllabi
- Attendance procedures
- Discipline policy
- Cell phone policy
- Internet policy
- Calendar



Parents will have the opportunity to ask questions pertaining to the changes in the Middle School/High School two-day program and will receive an overview of the courses. Please plan to attend as it will ensure the success of the program, and more importantly, your child.

La Mesa	Middle School	September 8, 2011	9:00 AM
La Mesa	High School	September 8, 2011	10:00 AM
Chula Vista	Middle School	September 8, 2011	1:00 AM
Chula Vista	High School	September 8, 2011	2:00 AM

Class Schedules

Chula Vista Schedule (revised 8/22/2011):

Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday	Friday
6-12 CLASSES	K	K-5	FULL DAY	6-12 CLASSES	K-5
9-10 am -Pre-Algebra -HS English 10 am – 11 am -MS English (Gr. 6-7) -Biology (Gr. 9-10) -Geometry -PLTW (Gr. 7-8) 11 am – 12 pm -MS English (Gr. 7-8) -PLTW (Gr. 6-7) -Algebra -Physics (Gr. 11-12) 12-12:30 pm -Lunch 12:30 – 1:30 pm -MS science (Gr. 6-7) -MS science (Gr. 7-8) -Yearbook (Gr. 6-12) 1:30 – 2:30 pm -Art -Math Foundations (Gr. 6-12) -Study Hall -ESL Classes for English Learners	Kinder-garten	AIM	9:00 am–11:00 am -K-2 Core: Magic School Bus -3-5 Core: Detective Stories 11:00 –11:30 am -Lunch 11:30 am–12:30 pm -K-2 NASA Science -3-5 Art 12:30 pm –1:30 pm -K-2 Chinese -3-5 NASA Science 1:30 pm –2:30 pm -K-2 Art -3-5 Chinese	9-10 am -Pre-Algebra -HS English 10 am – 11 am -MS English (Gr. 6-7) -Biology (Gr. 9-10) -Geometry -PLTW (Gr. 7-8) 11 am – 12 pm -MS English (Gr. 7-8) -PLTW (Gr. 6-7) -Algebra -Physics (Gr. 11-12) 12-12:30 pm -Lunch 12:30 – 2 pm -Internship (Gr. 11-12) 12:30 – 1:30 pm -MS science (Gr. 6-7) -MS science (Gr. 7-8) -Yearbook (Gr. 6-12) 1:30 – 2:30 pm -Art -Math Foundations (Gr. 6-12) -Study Hall -ESL Classes for English Learners * class is 1 1/2 hours	AIM

*All schedules are subject to change. Classes may be cancelled if minimum enrollment numbers are not met. Additional classes may be added as well.

La Mesa Schedule (revised 9/8/2011):

Tuesday		Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
K-5 FULL DAY		6-12 CLASSES		6-12 CLASSES
9:00 am–11:00 am -K-2 Core: Your Changing Environment -3-5 Core: Environmental Literacy		9-10 am -Pre-Algebra -Geometry -MS English (Gr. 6-7)		9-10 am -Pre-Algebra -Geometry -MS English (Gr. 6-7)
11:00 –11:30 am -Lunch	AIM	10-11 am -MS Eng (Gr. 7-8) -Biology (Gr. 9-12) -Intermediate Algebra -Math Foundations (Gr. 6-7)	AIM	10-11 am -MS Eng (Gr. 7-8) -Biology (Gr. 9-12) -Intermediate Algebra -Math Foundations (Gr. 6-7)
11:30 am–12:30 pm -K-2 NASA Science -3-5 Art		11 am-12 pm -PLTW (Gr. 7-8) - HS English (Gr. 11-12) -Algebra - MS science (Earth) (Gr. 6-7)	KINDER-GARTEN	11 am-12 pm -PLTW (Gr. 7-8) - HS English (Gr. 11-12) -Algebra - MS science (Earth) (Gr. 6-7)
12:30 pm –1:30 pm -K-2 Chinese -3-5 NASA Science		12-12:30 pm -Lunch		12-12:30 pm -Lunch
1:30 pm –2:30 pm -K-2 Art -3-5 Chinese		12:30 pm-1:30 pm - PLTW (Gr. 6-7) - MS science (Earth) (Gr. 7-8) -HS English (Gr. 9-10) -Art (Gr. 9-12)		12:30 pm-1:30 pm - PLTW (Gr. 6-7) - MS science (Earth) (Gr. 7-8) -HS Spanish 3-4 -HS English (Gr. 9-10) -Art (Gr. 9-12)
		*12:30 pm-2 pm -Internship (Gr. 11-12) -HS Spanish 1-2		1:30 pm-2:30 pm -Yearbook (Gr. 9-12)
		1:30 pm-2:30 pm -Yearbook (Gr. 6-8)		1:30-3 pm -Math/Eng. Support (Gr. 6-12) * class is 1 ½ hours
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Scripps Ranch Schedule (revised 8/15/2011):

Tues.		Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
6-12 CLASSES	Kinder- garten	AIM	FULL DAY	6-12 CLASSES
9-10 am -MS English -Chemistry (Gr. 9-12)			9:00 am–11:00 am -K-2 Core: Magic School Bus -3-5 Core: Travel and Geography	9-10 am -MS English -Chemistry (Gr. 9-12)
10 – 11 am -HS English -MS Jason Project			11:00 –11:30 am -Lunch	10 – 11 am -HS English -MS Jason Project
11 am – 12 noon -Yearbook (Gr. 6-12)			11:30 am–12:30 pm -K-2 NASA Science -3-5 Art	11 am – 12 noon -Yearbook (Gr. 6-12)
12-12:30 pm -Lunch			12:30 pm –1:30 pm -K-2 Chinese -3-5 NASA Science	12-12:30 pm -Lunch
* 12:30 – 2 pm -Internship (Gr. 11-12) -Math Lab/Study Hall (Gr. 6-12) * class is 1 ½ hours	1:30 pm –2:30 pm -K-2 Art -3-5 Chinese	* 12:30 – 2 pm - HS Art -Math Lab/Study Hall (Gr. 6-12) * class is 1 ½ hours		

Temecula Schedule (revised 4/26/2011):

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
6-12 CLASSES	6-12 CLASSES	FULL DAY 2-6	K-1
*9-10:30 a.m. Internship (Gr. 11-12) * class is 1 ½ hours	11:30-1:30pm Study Hall	9:00-11:00 a.m. Mad about Math	9:00-11:00 a.m. Kindergarten
10:30-11:30 a.m. MS/HS English		11:00-11:30 a.m. Lunch	
11:30-12:30p.m. Yearbook (Gr. 6-12)		11:30-12:30p.m. Exploring the Animal Kingdom	
12:30-3:00 p.m. MS/HS Math Lab		12:30-1:30pm Adventure class	
		1:30-2:30pm Adventure class	

*All schedules are subject to change. Classes may be cancelled if minimum enrollment numbers are not met. Additional classes may be added as well.

Parent Corner

This is a community forum to share information. These are not TLC-sponsored activities or classes, but are provided for your information. Please be sure to verify all information before attending.



San Diego Civic Youth Ballet's Home School Program ~ Ballet Classes for Ages 4 & Up ~

SDCYB invites you to join our home school ballet program! We hold year-round weekly classes, held in our beautiful studios in the Casa del Prado building in Balboa Park. Each year we perform The Nutcracker, as well as our Spring Showcase in May. Performance opportunities are available for all!



Class Schedule:

Tiny Tots (Ages 4 & 5):	Mondays, 10 – 11am & Thursdays, 9 – 10am
Pre-Ballet (Ages 6 – 7):	Thursdays, 9 – 10am
Level 1a (Ages 7 – 8):	Thursdays, 10 – 11am
Level 1b (Ages 8 – 9):	Thursdays, 11am – 12:30pm
Level 2a/2b (Ages 9 – 11):	Wednesdays, 12 – 1:30pm
Level 3 (Ages 11 – 12):	Mondays, 11:30am – 1pm
Level 4 (Ages 13 – 18):	Mondays, 1 – 2:30pm Wednesdays, 1:30 – 3pm
Level 4 Pointe Class:	Mondays, 2:30 – 3:15pm

Registration for the fall semester will begin on August 1st. Registration forms are available in our office at 1650 El Prado, Room 209, or on our website, at www.sdcyb.org.

For more information, please call us at (619) 233-3060.

***Parent Recommendations Are Available!!!

CAMP CUYAMACA 6TH GRADE OPEN HOUSE

“Preserving our history while sustaining our program for the future.” Parents, teachers, principals, students, alumni, and anyone interested in outdoor education are invited to spend a special day in the great outdoors at our beautiful outdoor school located in Cuyamaca Rancho State Park.

Saturday, October 1, 2011

10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

San Diego County Outdoor School Program

Meet the outdoor school staff	Try out the rock climbing
Tours of campus every 15 minutes	Meet one of our live raptors!
Hands-on science in our labs	Crafts
Meet the outdoor school nurse	Songs around the “campfire”
Short trail hikes offered every hour	

Directions

Cuyamaca Outdoor School – 8 East past Alpine to the Japatul exit, Hwy 79. Turn left at stop sign at bottom of exit. Drive 3 miles and turn left at the sign marked Julian, Cuyamaca State Park and Hwy 79. Drive 6 miles and turn right at School Camp sign. Parking is tight- carpool if possible

Check us out on the web: www.sdcoe.net/outdored/ and www.sdoutdoored.org

Save the Date: TLC 6th grade students will be attending camp on **May 29— June 1**. Register early so you can allocate student’s extended units.

RED TRICYCLE FUND RAISING PROGRAM

Red Tricycle is a fun website for parents that offers great ideas for cool things to see, eat, make and do with your kids. It’s great one-stop shop to find fun local family event. Red Tricycle also offers a fund raising opportunity for school with their “Red Tricycle Giving Back Program.”

How does it work? For every person that signs up for his or her free newsletter and add “The Learning Choice Academy” in the Referred by box, Red Tricycle will donate \$1. Just go to <http://www.redtri.com/newsletter-signup>. Help raise money for TLC with a few clicks of your computer. Thanks for your support!

CALIFORNIA ARCHAEOLOGY MONTH

October is California Archaeology Month!

The San Diego Archaeological Center is celebrating California Archaeology Month by inviting you to view 10,000 years of San Diego County history. **During California Archaeology Month, children will enjoy free admission to the Center's Museum.**

Award winning exhibits featuring real artifacts interpret the region's past and highlights the cultural diversity that makes San Diego a unique and dynamic place to live. Families will discover fun, educational and hands-on activities at the Center, providing wonderful experiences that open up and expose new information and ideas, and spark creativity and curiosity.

An objective of Archaeology Month is to provide the public with information regarding the nature and sensitivity of cultural and heritage resources. Center exhibits and presentations can show that archaeology is not only a way for people to learn about their place in history but also increases interest in education and environmental concerns.

The Center is located in the historic San Pasqual Valley, adjacent to the San Pasqual Battlefield State Historic Park. **The Center is open during regular operating hours Tuesday-Friday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM and every Saturday 10 AM to 2 PM. A suggested \$2 donation per person or \$5 per family donation is requested. Center members enjoy free admission.**

Visit the Center's website for additional information on the Center and upcoming events, workshops and programs.

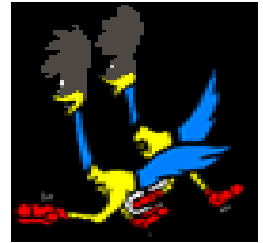
www.sandiegoarchaeology.org

MATH TUTORING IN TEMECULA

Is your child having trouble with Math or are you having trouble helping them with their school work? Have they lost confidence in being able to do higher math concepts? Then I am the tutor for your child. I provide a positive, enriching, one on one environment while helping your child excel at math. I have been a math tutor for six years and am looking to provide help to home school families. I home schooled my own 3 children who have now gone on to college. I know how difficult it can be to try and teach math concepts to children. My specialty is Pre-Algebra, Algebra, and Geometry. I am located in the North Temecula area near Winchester Rd.

You can contact Joanne Harned at (951) 639-4610 or tnt_temecula@yahoo.com.

SAN DIEGO SOCAL ROAD RUNNERS



The San Diego SoCal RoadRunners is a youth Cross Country and Track and Field group open to any young athlete, regardless of ability under the age of 19. The SDRR was founded in 1994 by Mike Mena, and joined in 2000 by George Green, Head Track Coach at Coronado High School, for a southern venue; our coaches and venues for 2010 are as follows: Benny Holt who coaches at Mar Vista High School in Imperial Beach, Coach Kim Toth at our Rancho Penasquitos / Rancho Bernardo location, Coach Hector Menchaca is at our Vista location and Head Coach Mike Mena in the Escondido location. Over the years the SDRR and its coaches have produced many athletes who have gone on to further success at the high school and collegiate levels.

The prime objective of the club is to encourage youth participation in running, in the disciplines of cross country, road and track. The goal of the club is to train youth in all aspects of running technique and sportsmanship, and to encourage and direct youth in the participation of competitive running events. Another goal is to take all eligible runners to annual national competitions in track and cross-country.

SD SCRR promotes the vision of running as a life-long activity with unparalleled health benefits and advocates a safe, balanced and enjoyable approach to training and racing, and a smooth transition to competition at the high-school level and beyond.

For more information, visit <http://www.scrs-sd.com/index.htm>. Those interested in joining should email sandiegoroadrunners@gmail.com for information.



SHERRY'S GOTTA DANCE STUDIO

Sherry's Gotta Dance Studio offers a variety of dance classes for children 2 1/2 yrs. thru adults. New dance sessions start the first week of October. Classes meet every Tuesday and cost just \$35 per month.

Tumbling (ages 6 and up)	5:00-5:45
Tiny Tots (ages 2 1/2-6)	5:45-6:30
Beginning Tap and Jazz	6:30-7:15
Drill Team/Cheer	7:15-8:00
Adult Tap and Jazz	8:00-8:45

We are located at 9621 Campo Rd. suite D in Casa De Oro. Please call 619-462-5043 for more info.

**THE LEARNING CHOICE
ACADEMY**

The Learning Choice (TLC) Academy is a California charter school dedicated to assisting parents who school their children in grades kindergarten through 12 at home.

TLC Academy’s mission is to empower students to reach their full potential by providing choice in education within collaborative triads of parents, students, and school.

We are committed to communicating with and engaging parents as partners in their children’s education. We are also committed to obtaining community resources for our school and invite all members of our community to assist us in the education of our students.

2011-12 BOARD MEETINGS



All Board of Directors meetings are open to the public. Agendas will be posted at your local site and on the website the week before each meeting, and meeting minutes are available at your site after board approval at the following meeting. Board meetings are held at 5:30 pm at the TLC La Mesa site.

- Wednesday, September 7
- Wednesday, October 5
- Wednesday, November 2
- Wednesday, December 7
- Wednesday, January 11
- Wednesday, February 8
- Wednesday, March 7
- Wednesday, April 4
- Wednesday, May 2
- Wednesday, June 6
- Wednesday, July 11

Locations:

Chula Vista

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Chula Vista, CA 91914
Phone: 619-656-4233
Fax: 619-397-0221

La Mesa

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La Mesa, CA 91941
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Scripps Ranch

9950 Scripps Lake Dr, Ste 105
San Diego, CA 92131
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Temecula

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Temecula, CA 92590
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E-mail: info@learningchoice.org



IMPORTANT DATES

September 5	Holiday—All Sites Closed
September 6	First Day of School
September 6	Full Day Registration Begins
September 14	Field Trip: Lions, Tigers, and Bears
September 15	Field Trip: Rendezvous in Poway
September 16	Field Trip: Phineas and Ferb
September 19	Welcome Back Picnic
September 26	Picture Day (all sites)
September 27	First Day of Full Day Classes
October 3-4	Field Trip: Zoofari Sleepover and Caravan Tour
October 5	Field Trip: Disney on Ice Treasure Trove
October 12	PSAT (La Mesa site)
October 14	Field Trip: Alice in Wonderland
October 18	Field Trip: Science Magic
October 24	Assembly: Robots and Lasers
November 1-2	CAHSEE