

September 2017 Newsletter



Dear Parents: We would like to welcome all of our new children and families to the Sunshine Center! Our new school year is off to a great start and we are excited for all of the fun activities, themes and events we have coming up this month and in the months ahead. Please take a few minutes to look through your child's class calendar for further details.

**Sunshine Center
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This Month

- School Year Activity Fees
- Labor Day Holiday
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School Year Activity Fees: During the school year (September–May) the Shining Lights, Sunshine Express, Sunshine Kids, and Core Knowledge classes will be participating in field trips and special activities outside the center each month. To simplify payment of each activity and field trip, a one-time school activity fee will be assessed that will cover everything for your child during these months. Once paid, you will not be asked to pay for each individual trip or activity. The fee is as follows:

Shining Lights, Sunshine Express & Sunshine Kids:

2-3 Days Attending: \$50.00

4-5 Days Attending: \$60.00

Core Knowledge: \$40.00



As always, you may accompany your child on a field trip if your child does not attend on a day the field trip is scheduled. Please check with your child's head teacher if additional fees are due for children who attend morning or afternoon classes. If your child changes to a full-time schedule anytime during the school year, the difference between the part-time (2-3 days) and full-time rate (4-5 days) will be charged. School activity fees will be assessed on the September 15th billing statement.

Parents of our Rainbows & Sonbeams!:



We would like to add a couple of special "onsite field trips" to your child's program this school year which will include special visits with the Spark City Children's Museum Bus and a visit from our wonderful Ms. Suzie-Q-Z, the clown whom all of our children love! We will make every effort to pick days of the week that your child attends. Parents are also welcome to accompany your child during the activity! The Spark City Bus is a beautiful 40-foot school bus that has been converted into a mobile children's museum! Three parts of the "city" are showcased on the bus-- the farm/orchard, the grocery market, and the cafe. Children can pick fruits and vegetables at the farm, sell them to the market, and prepare and serve meals in the kitchen and cafe. This act of role-playing teaches young children valuable social and emotional skills, critical thinking and problem-solving skills, gross and fine motor skills, science, math and art skills, and most importantly-- instills a lifelong love of learning. The \$15.00 activity fee will be assessed to your tuition account on September 15th. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.



Labor Day Holiday: As a reminder, the Sunshine Center will be closed in observance of the Labor Day holiday on Monday, September 4, 2017. Have a wonderful three-day weekend with your family!

Fall Pictures: A Moment In Time will be at the center to take Fall School Portraits this month.

~Main Center: September 19 & 20 ~Infant Center: September 21

Further information is available at either office.



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LifeCubby:

Our parent-engagement and communications platform is a great tool for staff and parents to document and record what your child experiences at the Sonshine Center during their day/week. It gives peace of mind for parents and includes such great features as the digital sign in and out system, daily sheets, communication and wonderful pictures! Life Cubby gives parents their own account for documenting their child's growth and development. Parents also can add their own memories, photos, videos, etc. Best of all, you get to keep your account for FREE forever. If you have any questions about how Life Cubby works at the Sonshine Center, please let the office know or check it out further at www.lifecubby.com.

Life Cubby has received licenses, contracts, approvals and awards from many organizations including: The National Parenting Center Seal of Approval, Parent-Tested, Parent-Approved, Mom's Choice Awards, Family Friendly Site, IT Community Choice Award, the State of California Department of Education, the National After School Association, and the National Association for the Education of Young Children.

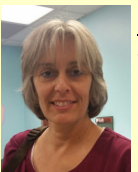


Employee Anniversaries

We would like to recognize and congratulate the following employees who are celebrating anniversaries this month. They are:



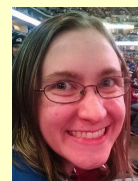
Georgia Tichota. Georgia is celebrating her 12th year anniversary this month! Georgia is our wonderful Pull-Out & Music/Movement Head Teacher. Georgia and her husband, David, have four grown sons and three grandchildren! Congratulations, Georgia!



Linda Sarad-Hewes. Linda is celebrating her 10th year anniversary this month! Linda is our wonderful Head Teacher in the Cherub's classroom at the Infant Center. Linda and her husband, Scott have four children and one granddaughter. Linda does a wonderful job for us. Congratulations Linda!



Marsha Preheim. Marsha is celebrating her 7th year anniversary this month. Marsha is our wonderful Morning Receptionist at the Main Center. Marsha has eight children and eleven grandchildren! Congratulations, Marsha!



Ann Marie Kahler. Ann Marie is celebrating her 4th year anniversary. She works as a full-time Group Leader in our Shining Lights classroom. Ann Marie does a great job for us! Congratulations, Ann Marie!

Have A Great Month!