

# Alphabet Soup Learning Center

## "Your child's second home..."

Parent Newsletter

Spring 2018

### Parent Appreciation Day!

Parents, I cannot say it enough, **THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT!** To show you our gratitude, along with continuing to build this relationship/bond that we have developed thru these last couple of weeks, ASLC will be hosting a Parent Appreciation Day soon! We will be having a crawfish boil in your honor & are working on getting fun inflatables for the kids to enjoy! **STAY TUNED!**

### Dropping off/Picking up your child

Parents, when dropping off your child in the mornings it is **MANDATORY** not only that you sign them in, but also you walk your child to their class & deliver them to their teacher. Please make sure their teacher knows that they are here. **PLEASE** do not bring them to the cafeteria and leave them there. If they haven't had breakfast, their teacher will make sure they eat, but cannot supervise them if they do not know they have arrived. Please also remember that they can not come in with any outside food unless we have written consent from their doctor.

When picking up your child, please make sure you keep your child within your sight at all times. Our staff cannot be responsible for your child if you've allowed them out of their class. If you need to speak with your child's teacher, please make sure that your child stays in the classroom until you can walk them out personally. Don't forget to **SIGN YOUR CHILD OUT**, proving both the time and your signature at pick up. This is extremely important for us in the event of an emergency evacuation. We must know who is on campus to ensure everyone's safety.

### Parking lot & speed

When you come to drop off/pick up your child, & you know you will be longer than 10 minutes, please park in a parking spot & not under the overhang. This allows traffic to flow & parents to be quick if needed. Also, please watch your speed when entering/leaving the parking lot. There is always that fear that a child may take off from their parent when walking to their car! Thank you for your consideration in this!

### Continuous Training

I would like to ease your mind over the distractions that the last couple of weeks has presented us & reassure you that we have tunnel vision when it comes to the safety & well being of your child(ren)! We are continually training our teachers on an ongoing basis & **WILL NOT STOP!** We have also gone thru all the (warranted) deficiencies that we are responsible for over the last 24 months (since these are the ones that have been staring me in the face lately!) and implementing new measures to not repeat any of them again! This is not to say that we haven't been doing this all along, but there will never be a time that I won't take anything I can & turn it into a lesson for me & my staff!

### Update on Appeal

Our lawyer worked on the appeal over the weekend & the holiday. She is confident in the process that this matter will be put to rest sooner than later & that our name & reputation will be exonerated! I cannot stress to you enough that **OUR DOORS WILL NEVER CLOSE!** You have my word that your child(ren)'s childcare **WILL NEVER BE INTERRUPTED!** And if anyone knows me, they know that I do not speak in absolutes unless I am 100% confident & can back up what I say! My word has always been my strongest attribute & I take that seriously! So I give you my word on this, **OUR DOORS WILL REMAIN OPEN!** Always know that if you have any questions, please feel free to **ALWAYS** come to me! You can either find me in my office, or you are always welcome to call me on my cell @ 225-573-1926. You can also reach me by email at [abcsoup@eatel.net](mailto:abcsoup@eatel.net)

### Parent Testimonials

Parents, if you have a free second & wouldn't mind, would you please log onto google &/or yahoo & give us a review? This goes a long way in showing your support for us, as well as unfortunately the majority of the time reviews are given, it is only due to upsetting situations. These reviews are what builds up or tears down our reputation, as well as the "court of public opinion" of what type of daycare we are. We are trying to change the minds of those who only know us from the negative publicity & remind them that not only are we a great child

care center, but we have the best parents around!

### FREE WEEK of TUITION!

Please don't forget that for every child you enroll, you will receive a **FREE WEEK OF TUITION!** There is no limit for this & will be granted 90 days after the referred child has been attending.

### Summer Camp

Our summer camp registration is coming up soon! Ms. Brande has already started working on the themes for this summer, and the fun projects/experiments your children will be participating in! As always, we will have water day every Friday (weather permitting)

### Mandatory Supplies for the Children

Please make sure you always have a change of clothes for your child in his/her cubby. Everything needs to be labeled as well (this **INCLUDES JACKETS**) If your child comes home with clothes that did not belong to them, please return them. Also if your child is in the Bumble Bees, Turtles & Giraffes (and on a sippy cup in the Giraffes) please provide 3 clean, empty sippy cups daily. These will be used for breakfast, lunch & snack, & sent home each day.

### Truth Table

Every night when I sit down to eat with my kids, we have what we call "truth table". This is an opportunity for my kids to confide/vent/express what they need to without repercussions or punishment. I encourage you to try this! My kids now look forward to our "truth table" talks and we end up sitting at the table way longer than we needed for our meal! They even now will come find me for "truth table" even when it's not dinner. It just provides them a "safe place" to feel confident that they can tell me anything, and trust me, they tell me **EVERYTHING!** LOL! I can't tell you how much it means to me to hear them tell their friends "If you can't talk to your parents about it (whatever "it" is, you can come to dinner & truth table! Mom won't mind at all!



### REMINDERS:

- Please check your child's cubby &/or folder when picking up. This is the best way we can communicate with you.
- Please do not drop off your child after 9:00, as we have already started our curriculum for the day & have our ratios considered for the center to operate in the most efficient way. We understand doctor/therapist visits and just ask that you call & let us know they will be late & bring a doctor's excuse. Also remember if you pick your child up after 6:30, you will be charged \$1/minute late, due at the time of pick up

Funny things to ask your kids at dinner time (taken from [www.ourthreepeas.com](http://www.ourthreepeas.com))

- What was your favorite part of the day?
- If you had \$20 what would you do with it?
- Describe yourself in one word.
- What is your favorite word?
- If you had one super power, what would it be?
- Would you rather have tentacles, or arms and legs?