



BACK TO SCHOOL!



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Advantage Preschool's Newsletter

Welcome New Families

I would like to say welcome once again and thank you for choosing Advantage Preschool. I hope that this is the beginning of a long and rewarding relationship for all! The children are making a smooth transition to their new preschool, and the year is off to a great start!



Notices & Reminders

Please make sure your child has the following here at school:

1. Extra set of clothes
2. Sunscreen
3. Backpack/bag for schoolwork
4. Cuddly/blanket if needed for nap

Please look for the following items at home for upcoming activities:

1. Family pictures to create a family photo page to enter into our classroom book (will send home the activity page later)
2. Recyclable containers with lids that attach various ways (twist or screw tops, snap-on, squirt-top), that are clear as well as opaque or different colors, and that have labels or writing as well as blank. Please wash well first, and send in as soon as possible. THANKS!

Advantage Preschool is now on Facebook.

Check out our updated photos on Facebook and on our website under The Parent's Corner!

We still have some spots available! Refer a friend today, and if they sign a contract, you will both receive \$50 off your next tuition!

Recent Highlights

The students are starting to learn our routines and follow our daily schedule. They enjoy looking at our schedule to see what's coming next. They are figuring out what happens at each part of the day, and what is expected of them at school. They are also forming new friendships here and learning to play together, share, and help each other.

We've been exploring different shapes and learning their names. The shape blocks are so much fun to "work" with, and we've also been using them to create patterns. We continue to practice rote counting and counting out objects. The children really love using the unifix cube counting ladders (see our new pictures), and listening to some really fun "math songs" that incorporate movement.

We introduced the first letter of the week "A" and began the first pages in our ABC book (as well as our number book). Abby the Alligator went home as the first book in our AlphaTales take-home book series. We even enjoyed making our very own Abby Alligator!

We've spent a lot of time talking about God as the creator. We also introduced the story of Adam and Eve, and discussed obeying God. We're learning to say a simple prayer during meals and snacks and use this time to talk about what we are thankful for in our lives.

Spending time outdoors has been so nice as well! Everyone really loves to go to the "Big Park" and dig in the sand. The cottage in the backyard transforms to a restaurant most days, and the boat is always taking the children somewhere fun. Riding bikes and cars out front is a favorite outside activity. We go on "road trips" up and down the sidewalk and "race" our cars on the racetrack!