## **The Fox Den News**

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# **Building Updates**

We have WALLS!!

We are midway through the first of three weeks of framing. Today, the steel was delivered and is being erected! Be on the lookout for our invite to have the Fox Den families write your own inspirational messages on the studs before drywalling! Your family is what makes The Fox Den great!





Do you have any pictures you want to share of the The Fox Den being built? Please share with us on our Facebook page, #TheFoxDen,AnEarlyLearningAcademy

#### **Next Steps?**

Have you scheduled your face-to-face meeting with Michelle and Josh? We have <u>extended hours</u> on Monday and Tuesday until 7:00 PM for those who need a later time. The weblink to sign up for a meeting is:

https://www.picktime.com/thefoxdenpreschool
If you need the later time please text Michelle at 478370-8648 and she will put you on the schedule.

What if I have not yet decided to attend The Fox Den yet? No worries! Schedule a meeting to have all of your questions addressed!

We have new temporary office space! We will be located at:

#### 211 Tift College Drive, Suite 202

We are here at this location through early July. Park in the back of the building and go through the back door. We are upstairs on the left!



Paperwork Party

\*\* April 5th 4:00-6:00 \*\*

This is to turn in your completed registration paperwork.

Jonahs Pizza will be available.

(The previous date was cancelled due to rain)

#### \*\*TBD\*\*

Come leave your mark/message on our framing before drywall. What are your hopes/dreams for your child?

"Learning is not attained by chance, it must be sought for with ardor and attended to with diligence." —Abigail Adams

## Pricing Updates...

We have identified several funding opportunities we are going after. As soon as things settle with the staff interviews we will begin to apply for them. Watch out for information and updates.



#### **Paperwork Party**

Reminder: This is for Mom and Dad and your little scholars! We will have several fun learning activities planned for the children. This is a chance for you to meet other families who have enrolled in the Fox Den Academy. If you can not make the paperwork party this week, we will have another one in May.



## <u>Is biting typical in infants,</u> toddlers, and 2-year olds?

Yes, but it should be discouraged from the first episode. Many children bite instinctively because they have not developed self-control. Biting can also occur when a child is teething, exploring cause-and-effect, or even imitating other children. How do I stop this behavior?

- 1. Have age-appropriate expectations for your child's behavior,
- 2. Make sure your child's schedule, routines, and transitions are predictable,
- 3. Offer activities and materials that allow your child to relax tension,
- 4. Use positive guidance strategies to help your child develop self-control,
- 5. Provide items to bit, such as teething rings or clean, wet, cold washcloths stored in the refrigerator.

#### Et cetera

We are "deep" into our interviews with Teachers and Assistant Teachers. If you have someone in mind that we should consider bringing on to our staff, please send us their name and contact number. Please send to:

michelleblount@thefoxdenpreschool.com. (Applications can also be found on our website <a href="www.thefoxdenpreschool.com">www.thefoxdenpreschool.com</a> Navigate to the "Team +" header, and choose Employment application.)

We have a rigorous interview process. There will be 3 total interviews before any decisions are made for employment. Second interviews are scheduled for next week. Only those candidates that we feel will best meet the needs of our scholars will take part in in-person interviews with Michelle and Josh.



Our classes are filling up quickly! Have a friend that is seeking a learning environment for their child? Have them connect with us to schedule a meeting!



Knock, knock.
Who's there?
You.
You who?
Yoo-hoo! Anybody home?

Knock, knock. Who's there? Radio. Radio who? Radio not, here I come!

Knock, knock. Who's there? Tank. Tank who? You're welcome.

### Building Social and Emotional Skills at Home

At The Fox Den, students will learn about the world around them. We will also be teaching social-emotional skills and how to express feelings and play together. Here are some tips for helping your child to develop skills at home:

Puppets: These are great to talk to kids about feelings words such as happy, sad, angry. Children will often talk to puppets about their feelings.

Think out loud: When your child hears your thinking process, it helps her understand how to cope with frustration and solve problems.

Read Bedtime stories: This is a magical time of the day to talk about feelings. Characters and events in a story may prompt your child to share her thoughts and feelings.

Do a job together: Instead of asking your child to do a chore alone, do it with him. Fold laundry, set the table, rake leaves, or paint a wall.

Play games: Card and board games and outdoor games such as tag or hopscotch offer built-in opportunities for helping children learn to take turns, cooperate, handle frustration, and more.

Prevent potential problems: Before a play date, help your child put away toys he does not wish to share. Before you go on a trip, provide a step-by-step explanation of what you will do. During your trip, remind her of what will happen next.



## 117 days until the First Day of School!!!