

November 2021

DATES TO REMEMBER

Sun., Nov. 7th - Daylight Savings Time Ends
Turn clocks BACK 1 hour.

Thursday, Nov. 11th - School Closed
VETERANS DAY

Nov. 25th & 26th - School Closed
THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY

Dec. 20, 2021 - Jan. 3, 2022 - Closed
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

QUALITY START LOS ANGELES

Our early learning program is pleased to share our participation in a voluntary assessment, rating, and support program called *Quality Start Los Angeles (QSLA)*. QSLA is part of a nationwide movement to advance the quality of early learning. Research shows that children are more likely to be successful in school and in life if they receive high quality early learning opportunities. Our involvement in QSLA shows our commitment to continuous improvement and to providing your child with a safe, nurturing environment to learn and grow.

As part of Quality Start Los Angeles, our teachers will receive one-on-one coaching support, professional development opportunities, and new classroom materials. This support helps us maintain our commitment to quality so we continue to provide age-appropriate experiences that help your child learn, explore, and grow.

Our dedication to improving our program led us to participate in QSLA, but it is our passion for early learning that motivates us to continue striving for higher quality.

Thank you for making us your trusted early learning provider!

Discipline with Love

To encourage better behavior from your little one, you may find that gentle, loving strategies get the best results. Keep these tips in mind.

Remain Calm

Take a deep breath before you correct your child. Then, try whispering instead of shouting. (“Close the door *gently* instead of slamming it.”) To hear what you’re saying, your youngster will need to slow down and listen carefully.

Bonus: You’ll set an example of how to stay calm even when you’re frustrated or angry.

Be Respectful

Giving your undivided attention when you talk to your child about her behavior shows respect. Get down to her level rather than yelling across the room. Acknowledge her feelings, but remain firm as you explain what she did was wrong. (“I know you’re upset that your brother won’t give you his toy, but we don’t pinch. Use your words and *tell* him what you want.”)

Find the good

Your youngster naturally wants to please you, so when she behaves well, let her know that you noticed. (“You put your clothes in the hamper without my reminding you. That helps keep our house neat.”) Positive reinforcement will motivate her to repeat her good behavior.

