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Yoga



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STAR KIDS GET FIT AND GET STRONG!

STAR KIDS BUILD CIRCUITS AND SPY TOOLS!

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STAR KIDS PRINT THEIR DESIGNS IN 3D!

Parent Information

City Charter Nova 4 Session
April 7- May 30 2014

Register Online: March 21
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STAR Education



STAR Opens up a Preschool in West Los Angeles on June 2, 2014!



Best Early Childhood Education

-LA Parents Voted STAR the Best!



Open House

Saturday, April 26th

10am-12pm or 1pm-3pm

1518 S. Robertson Blvd.

310-842-8040



Our preschools encourage exploration, critical thinking and a healthy dose of magic!

After 27 years of parents' requests, STAR is thrilled to announce we are opening our first independent preschool located in West Los Angeles (not on a public school site) for an enriched preschool with early childhood education! STAR has been operating preschools on school campuses for 10 years, and has been voted "Best Early

Childhood Education" by Los Angeles parents through LA Parent Magazine. Thanks to your incredible outpouring of support, we were able to secure a beautiful building on Robertson in the Beverlywood neighborhood. Our preschool curriculum, developed by STAR's early childhood education specialists, combines a whole child approach with 27 years of

experience. Your child's day will be centered on project-based enrichment learning that encourages experimentation, exploration, critical thinking, and idea sharing; all in a loving, supportive, whimsical atmosphere. And as always, our curriculum will include a healthy dose of magic! Our center will also feature an extraordinary outdoor space complete with an

organic garden, allowing the environment to serve as a teacher to our students. We encourage all prospective parents to join the waitlist today! Come share the joy with us at our Open House event!

For more information on early enrollment please call 310-842-8040.

City Charter STAR NOVA 4
April 7 - May 30, 2014
Spring Recess: April 14-18, 2014

Welcome to the STAR Nova Program! STAR invites ALL students to enroll in STAR classes that are taught by experienced instructors who are specialists in their field.

HOW TO REGISTER

You can REGISTER ONLINE at

<http://city charter.starinc.org>! ONLINE REGISTRATION BEGINS FRIDAY, MARCH 21, 2014.

If you are unable to register online, you can pick up a registration form in the school office. Please note, NO PHONE CALLS will be made to let you know you are enrolled, unless classes are canceled or full.

NOVA MEETING PLACE: SCHOOL YARD

GETTING TO YOUR STAR NOVA CLASS

Students will meet the STAR teacher in the yard after school dismissal. The STAR teacher will then walk students to their STAR class. Soccer classes will be held on the yard.

AFTER YOUR STAR NOVA CLASS

Students will need to be picked up at their STAR class. The STAR teacher will drop off students that attend the after care program.

Please be on time to pick up your child because STAR is not responsible for your child before and after class.

REGISTRATION FEE

A \$10 fee is required for each student PER SESSION to cover insurance and registration costs. This fee is non-refundable and is not applicable toward the cost of the classes.

ABSENCES

Please contact your STAR Director if your child will be absent.

REFUND POLICY

1. No refunds of any kind will be given after the first week of attendance.
2. We reserve the right to cancel any class due to insufficient enrollment. Should such an event occur your money will be credited.
3. Tuition will not be refunded if your child misses a class, quits, or is asked to leave due to disruptive behavior.

BEHAVIOR POLICY

STAR Education reserves the right to dismiss students whose behavior proves disruptive to other participants. In such cases a consultation will be held with all relevant parties before any action is taken. No refund will be offered in such cases.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships are available on a sliding scale basis. Scholarship paperwork MUST be submitted by **Thursday, March 27, 2014**, along with a check for 50% of the total fee INCLUDING REGISTRATION FEE. Please see your STAR director to inquire for more information.

If you have any questions, or for information about school closures and minimum days contact your Nova Director, Beverly Powell at (310) 877-9047 or email citycharter@starinc.org.

STAR MONDAYS 6 WEEKS

CHESS: YOUNG KINGS & QUEENS IN TRAINING

Come grow with us as we learn one of the most popular and oldest games on Earth. This class covers the entire board--and all of the pieces too! The ancient game of chess teaches essential life skills such as discipline, concentration, critical thinking, planning and sportsmanship. Students will learn the fundamentals of the game, its amazing history, and key tricks and moves that provide an awesome edge in future competition. This session we will have a special focus on some of the top chess players in the world, including their diverse heritage and how they became so good! Then students will be able to take what they learned about these exciting players & test their skills in STAR's Annual Tournament of Kings & Queens* Chess Tournament.

NOTE: Suggested for beginner and intermediate level players. Chess players may be moved to/from this class at teacher's discretion based on skill level.

*Tournament requires separate registration.

Day: Monday

Time: 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (K-2)

Fee: \$84

Date: 4/7/2014 - 5/19/2014

No Class: 4/14/2014

STAR TUESDAYS 7 WEEKS

SPORTS: SOCCER STARS

It's all in the feet! In this session of Soccer STARs, develop an understanding of more complex soccer techniques and strategies as you sweat your way toward becoming a soccer SuperSTAR. Balance a ball on the tips of your toes and flip it up to the top of your head. Study game situation soccer drills, rules, positions, and formations to make your best moves in any soccer match.

Day: Tuesday

Time: 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (K-2)

Fee: \$98

Date: 4/8/2014 - 5/27/2014

No Class: 4/15/2014

STAR WEDNESDAYS 7 WEEKS

ART: PAINTING AND COMPOSITION

This session, students are invited to join us for a special workshop on the traditional art of composition and painting. Students will discover new processes of painting and how to better compose their masterpieces, all while having fun producing quality works of art. Principles of design such as balance, movement, contrast, and rhythm will be explored as students are introduced to fundamental laws of composition such as the Rule of Thirds and focal points. Classes will include painting demos and student participation in setting up a variety of colorful, captivating still lifes for us to compose on our canvasses.

Day: Wednesday

Time: 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (K-2)

Fee: \$119

Date: 4/9/2014 - 5/28/2014

No Class: 4/16/2014

STAR THURSDAYS 7 WEEKS

MUSIC: DRUMMING/PERCUSSION

Keep the rhythm alive! Join us at STAR's Drumming Series, taught by professional musicians who share their technique, tempo and timing through a widespread selection of different drumming styles. This class will feature both hand drumming and stick drumming, and work in both individual and group formats. Show friends and family everything you've learned when you display your new drumming talents in a grand performance at the end of the session.

NOTE: NOVA Class is limited to 12 students.

Day: Thursday

Time: 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (K-2)

Fee: \$112

Date: 4/10/2014 - 5/29/2014

No Class: 4/17/2014

STAR FRIDAYS 7 WEEKS

MAGIC: THE HISTORY OF MAGIC

There have been many famous magicians throughout the history of magic--Houdini, Carter, and David Copperfield, just to name a few. But these magicians aren't nearly as important as the famous effects that have stood the test of time. It's a part of what great magicians do to this very day, and exactly what our junior magicians will do for themselves in Magic Session 4! Students will learn some of the most famous tricks in the history of magic. Lessons will include tricks using cards, coins and even specialty apparatus. Along with the various effects, students will learn dexterity along with public speaking skills. And all the students will practice their newly learned skills at the end of session performance in front of their friends and families, and then take their magic kits home for future performances.

Day: Friday

Time: 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (K-2)

Fee: \$119

Date: 4/11/2014 - 5/30/2014

No Class: 4/18/2014

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STAR Eco Station's 14th Annual



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—Los Angeles Times

—Best of LA, LA Parent Magazine



All photos are from previous Children's Earth Days.

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Event admission is free! Tours of the STAR Eco Station are only \$5! What a deal!

This is a palm oil free and meat free event!

Sunday, April 6, 2014

10am-4pm • www.childrensearthday.org



BEST CHILDREN'S MUSEUM

—Best of LA, LA Parent Magazine

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Special Thank You to West L.A. Bird Club!

STAR Eco Station wants to thank the wonderful West Los Angeles Bird Club for hosting the STAR Eco Station at their February monthly meeting. As guest speakers, we educated about the devastating impact of the illegal parrot trade, and the challenges and rewards of working with over 3 dozen rescued feathered friends. It was a great evening with the bird enthusiasts who are truly passionate individuals!

Over the years, the West L.A. Bird Club members have generously donated much-needed bird supplies. Without proper stimulation and enrichment, parrots can develop many behavioral issues, such as plucking their feathers, screaming, or biting. Our rescued parrots truly appreciate all the support provided by the club. STAR Eco Station recommends West L.A. Bird Club for anyone looking to connect with other bird-lovers in the community!



Bird Paradise Becoming Even More Enchanting

A hyacinth macaw's beak is so strong, it can crack open a coconut! Now, imagine a room full of similarly sized parrots that love to chomp and destroy pretty much anything within reach. That includes not only their own bird toys, but also the framing of their enclosures, their perches, their food trays, the mesh paneling...you get the idea!

After housing dozens of rescued parrots and macaws for 14 years, our Bird Paradise is definitely showing the destruction caused by multiple bird beaks! STAR Eco Station would love to completely renovate our 1,100 foot indoor space with brand new enclosures, perches, feeding stations, substrate, and lighting. We estimate this complete

overhaul will cost about \$42,000!! We have recently submitted for a grant that would potentially cover the majority of this cost; however, competition is fierce and we aren't yet certain that we will receive the grant. All donations towards this major renovation project are greatly appreciated!

As many of our birds were confiscated from smugglers after being taken from the wild initially (and later given to Eco for their care by federal agents), we aim to make their captive environment as stimulating and natural as possible, with spacious enclosures and tons of enrichment. Thank you for your support in providing for our fine, feathered friends!



**Join the Cause!
Contact us at
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SIGN UP NOW! STAR ECO STATION SUMMER CAMP!

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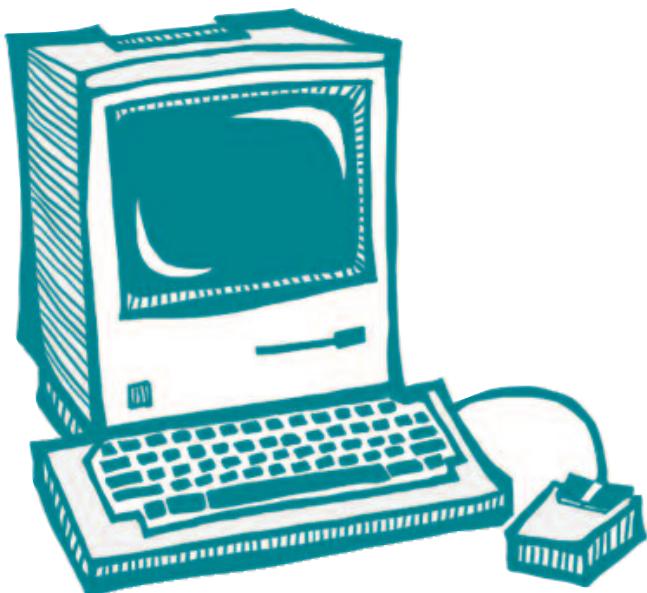
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