

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

The Neighborhood Learning Center's monthly newsletter

August 2024

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- **Please let us know if your plans for the fall have changed.** We have an extensive waitlist and would like to offer any open spots to families who need them.
- **New Tuition Rates** go into effect Monday, August 5, 2024. Please see page 6 for the new rate list.
- **Annual re-registration fees** were processed the week of July 1st. The fee is \$65/child for children enrolled before January 1, 2024.

We are loving our new key fob entry system!

We kindly suggest you attach your fob to your key chain or something else secure like a lanyard or stretchy wrist bracelet. A lost fob means Ms JoAnna or Ms Ally has to go into the security program, decipher which fob was lost, deactivate that fob, and then program a new one. So we greatly appreciate your help keeping track of the fobs!

Starting August 1st, there will be a \$5 fee for lost fobs.



IMPORTANT DATES:

Mon July 29 - Thurs Aug 1

Animal Adventures

Fri Aug 2

**NLC CLOSED 6a-3p for staff development;
OPEN HOUSE 3-5 PM**

Mon Aug 5:

New tuition rates go into effect

Mon Aug 5 - Fri Aug 9:

Exploring from the Earth to the Stars

Mon Aug 12 - Fri Aug 16:

Summer Olympics

Mon Aug 19 - Weds Aug 21:

Last Lazy Days of Summer

Thurs Aug 22:

LCPS STARTS

Fri Aug 30:

LCPS CLOSED

NLC open for School's Out Drop-In Day



We have a new pastor at St Andrew!

Pastor Amanda Kemery comes from Atlanta, GA, where she was an associate pastor at Morningside Presbyterian, which also has a preschool. Pastor Amanda will start officially on September 8th, so look for more info about her in the next newsletter!



**OPEN HOUSE!
FRIDAY 8/2
3-5pm**

BREAKING NEWS

Your NLC is in the process of joining Virginia's Quality Birth to Five System (VQB5), which helps improve the quality of all publicly-funded birth-to-five classrooms. Since we are not currently publicly funded, this program is optional for us and involves a lengthy application process to become a Subsidy Vendor.

ALL staff, both full- and part-time, must now complete mandatory training:

- Ten-hour Virginia Preservice Training (which requires a four-hour yearly renewal)
- CPR and First Aid Certification
- Sixteen hours continuing education annually



The administrative staff has been working long hours ensuring we have all the records required by the state, and all is in proper order.

At press time we were awaiting our inspection, which will involve a review of our files, observation of teachers, and an analysis of our facility. Once the process is complete and all the required paperwork has been filed, the state of Virginia will supply us with free curriculum, regularly evaluate all our teachers, inspect the NLC at least annually, and then rate each class as well as the Center. The rating will be posted publicly. Full-time teachers will also be eligible to receive yearly bonuses from the state.



We are very excited to be participating in VQB5, not only because it will make us eligible to care for children whose families are receiving childcare help from Virginia, but also because it elevates us to even higher standards of care and learning for all our children.

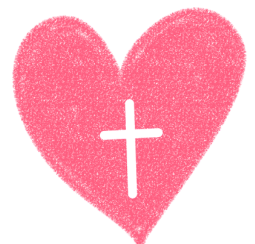


We feel this serves to fulfill the mission of the NLC:

To provide quality affordable childcare

as well as the mission of St Andrew:

To be a beacon of peace and love where everybody belongs.



For more information, go to <https://www.doe.virginia.gov/teaching-learning-assessment>

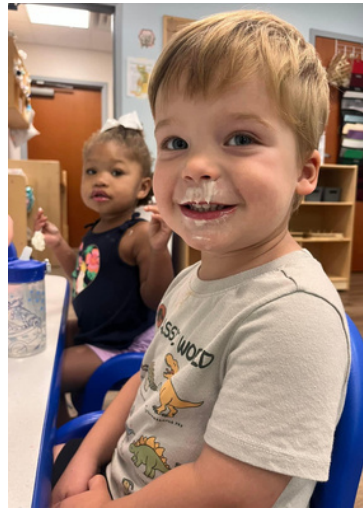
Important Dates

8/2:

- **NLC CLOSED**
- **OPEN HOUSE 3-5P**

8/22 LCPS starts

8/30 LCPS closed



SUN & FUN

SUMMER CAMP

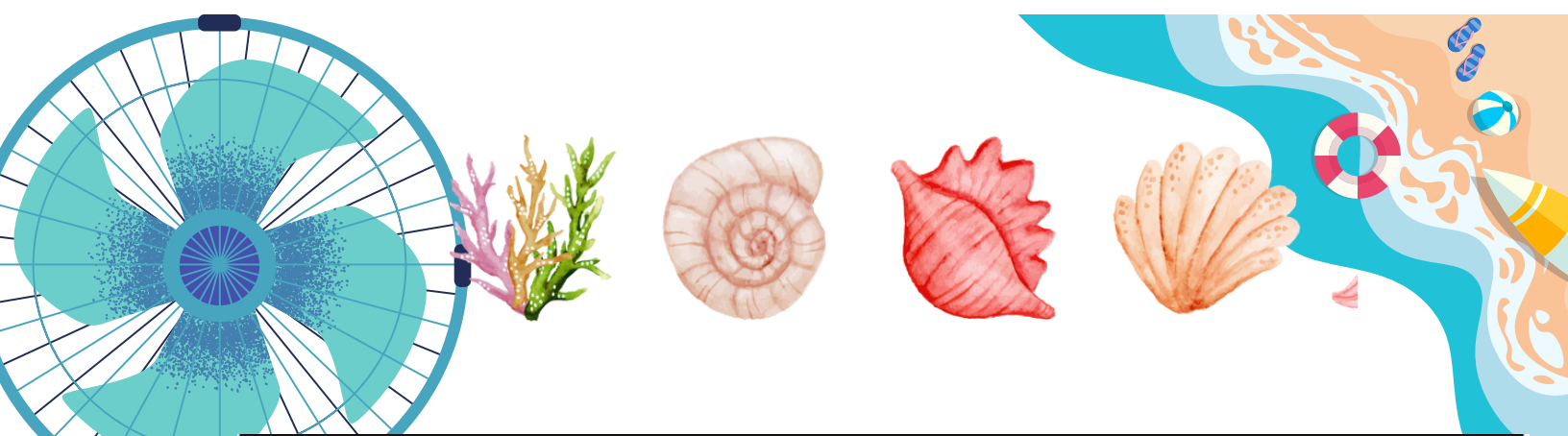


The Neighborhood Learning Center ~ Menu for August 2024

		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Aug 5 - 9	Morning Snack	WG Cereal* [^] Milk	Yogurt [^] Granola* Water	Cereal Bar* [^] Fruit Water	WG Pancakes* [^] Berries Water	WG Cereal* [^] Milk [^]
	Lunch	WG Chicken Nuggets [^] * Peas Pineapple Milk	Cheese Quesadillas* [^] Corn Mandarin Oranges Milk	Beans & Franks* WG Roll* [^] Pears Milk	Chicken Noodle Soup* [^] Carrots Crackers* Mixed Fruit Milk	Goulash* [^] Salad w/ Dressing [^] (T) Cucumbers Peaches Milk
	Snack	Corn Chips* [^] Salsa (T) Crackers* [^] Water	Animal Crackers* [^] Applesauce Water	Watermelon Veggie Straws* Water	Tiger Bites* [^] Strawberries Water	Ice Cream [^] Cookies* [^] (T) Frozen Fruit Ice Cream Water
Aug 12 - 16	Morning Snack	WG Cereal* [^] Milk	Muffins* [^] Bananas Water	Waffles* [^] Berries Water	Bagels* [^] Cream Cheese [^] Water	WG Cereal* [^] Milk
	Lunch	Meatball Subs on WG Roll* [^] Carrots & Dip [^] (T) Diced Carrots Pears Milk	Taco Salad* [^] Corn WG Roll* [^] Peaches Milk	Chicken Fried Rice* [^] Green Beans Applesauce Milk	WG Fish Nuggets* [^] Peas Pineapple Milk	Pizza Day! Salad w/ Dressing [^] (T) Cucumbers Mixed Fruit Milk
	Snack	Crackers* [^] Pepperoni* Sliced Cheese [^] Water	Rice Cakes* [^] Sliced Apples (T) Applesauce Water	WG Homemade Trail mix* [^] Water	Fig Newtons* [^] Yogurt [^] Water	Ice Cream [^] Rainbow Goldfish* [^] (T) Frozen Fruit Ice Cream Water
Aug 19 - 23	Morning Snack	WG Cereal* [^] Milk	Cereal Bar* [^] Berries Water	Turkey Sausage* Biscuits* [^] Water	Bacon, Cheese on an English Muffin* [^] Water	WG Cereal* [^] Milk
	Lunch	Lasagna* [^] Salad w/ Dressing [^] (T) Cucumbers Mandarin Oranges Milk	Salisbury Steak* [^] Mashed Potatoes [^] WG Roll* [^] Pears Milk	Ham & Cheese on a WG Slider Roll* [^] Carrots & Dip [^] (T) Diced Carrots Apple Slices (T) Applesauce Milk	Chicken Alfredo* [^] Broccoli Peaches Milk LCPS First Day!	Chili* [^] Cornbread* [^] Fruit Cocktail Milk
	Snack	Chocolate Chip Pancakes* [^] Milk	Graham Crackers* [^] Cream Cheese [^] Water	Pita Chips* [^] Hummus* Popsicles Water	Wheat Thin Crackers* Bananas Water	Ice Cream [^] Watermelon (T) Frozen Fruit Ice Cream Water
Aug 26 - 30	Morning Snack	WG Cereal* [^] Milk	Whole Wheat Cinnamon Toast* [^] Milk	Sausage Gravy on a Biscuit* [^] Water	Blueberry Waffles* [^] Berries Water	WG Cereal* [^] Milk
	Lunch	Mac & Cheese* [^] Broccoli Cantaloupe Milk	Beans & Franks* [^] WG Roll* [^] Pears Milk	Meatballs & Gravy* [^] WG Roll* [^] Mashed Potatoes [^] Peaches Milk	WG Chicken Nuggets* [^] Green Beans Pineapple Milk	Beef Tips w/ Noodles* [^] Salad w/ Dressing [^] (T) Cucumbers Mixed Fruit Milk LCPS Student Holiday
	Snack	Animal Crackers* [^] Applesauce Water	Ham* Pita Pocket* [^] Water	Mandarin Oranges Bean Crackers* [^] Water	Mini Muffins* [^] Bananas Water	Ice Cream [^] Berries (T) Frozen Fruit Ice Cream Water

Whole milk is served to children under 2 and 2% milk is served to all others. Menus are subject to change.

*May contain eggs ^May contain milk (T)=Toddlers WG = Whole Grain



AUGUST 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
EVERYONE NEEDS A CLEAN WATER BOTTLE EVERY DAY!	^St Andrew Worship - Join in-person OR via YouTube Live every Sunday at 10am - Nursery care is available for birth through pre-K 9am-12pm			1	2 NLC CLOSED for staff training OPEN HOUSE 3-5PM	3
	SUMMER CAMP THEME: Animal Adventures (continued from July)					
4 Worship Service 10am^	5 New tuition rates go into effect	6	7 Soccer Stars	8	9 Mercier School of Dance	10
SUMMER CAMP THEME: Exploring from Earth to the Stars Camp Field Trips*: Udvar-Hazy Center, Skyline Caverns						
11 Worship Service 10am^ (committee meetings after service)	12 National Middle Child Day	13	14 Soccer Stars	15	16 Mercier School of Dance PIZZA PARTY!	17
SUMMER CAMP THEME: Summer Olympics Camp Field Trips*: Monster Mini-Golf, Altitude Trampoline Park						
18 Worship Service 10am^ (Session meeting after service)	19 National Potato Day	20	21	22 LCPS STARTS	23	24
SUMMER CAMP THEME: Last Lazy Days of Summer (no field trips)						
25 Worship Service 10am^	26	27 National Peach Day	28	29	30 LCPS CLOSED School-Age Drop-In Day	31

*Field trips are subject to change. You will be notified in advance of any alterations.

SUMMER CAMP REMINDERS:

- Send your child with a clean water bottle, sunscreen, and bug repellent every day.
- Pack a lunch for your child on field trip days, unless your child's teacher says otherwise.
 - NO NUTS, NUT PRODUCTS, COCONUT, OR COCONUT OIL PRODUCTS PLEASE!
- **CANCELLATION RESPONSIBILITIES:** YOU MUST CANCEL IN WRITING BY THE MONDAY TWO WEEKS PRIOR TO THE WEEK YOU ARE SCHEDULED TO ATTEND, OR YOU WILL BE CHARGED FOR THE WEEK. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**





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RATE SHEET 2024 – 2025 (effective 8/5/2024)

REGISTRATION FEES

New enrollment: \$100 for the first child; \$65/each additional child

Annual re-registration for children enrolled before January 1st, 2024: \$65/child

TUITION DISCOUNTS

10% discount off lesser tuition for additional family member

10% discount for children in NLC Board Member household

5% military discount

TUITION RATES

INFANTS

\$200 – 2 days/week

\$275 – 3 days/week

\$395 – 5 days/week **\$1,712/month**

TODDLERS

\$195 – 2 days/week

\$270 – 3 days/week

\$385 – 5 days/week **\$1,668/month**

PRESCHOOL TWOS

\$190 – 2 days/week

\$260 – 3 days/week

\$375 – 5 days/week **\$1,625/month**

PRESCHOOL THREES

\$185 – 2 days/week

\$250 – 3 days/week

\$365 – 5 days/week **\$1,582/month**

PRE-KINDERGARTEN FOURS

\$180 – 2 days/week

\$245 – 3 days/week

\$360 – 5 days/week **\$1,560/month**

SCHOOL-AGE PROGRAM (K – 5th Grade)

Daily Rate: \$50 (additional day rate added to part-time schedule rate during normal week)

School's Out Fees

\$50 – additional fee for full day care for enrolled students who attend weekly

\$70 – fee for children not currently attending weekly

After School Care

\$85 – 2 day/week

\$115 – 3 days/week

\$160 – 5-days/week **\$694/month**

Before School Care

\$20/day (enrolled students who attend weekly)

\$30/day (children not currently attending weekly)

Combined Before/After Care

\$240 – 5 days/week before AND after care

\$1,040/month