

December 2018 News

Learning and Loving Education Center



December is one of the busiest times of our year! Yet we need to take time to reflect and slow down. Especially we need to be thankful for all our blessings, our families, our friends, our opportunities. Please be grateful for the wonderful teachers, staff, volunteers, and donors who have helped keep the Center going for these past 25 years. Think of all your milestones and be thankful for the impact they have made on your life.

Stars have always drawn their viewers to another dimension or realm. Stars are used in many places in Scripture and holy books to proclaim the wonder and power of God. The vastness of the sky and its stars called to those who were drawn to the divine.

I can understand why this is so. I don't think I've ever stood silently beneath a star-filled sky and not felt drawn to a holy presence. There is an immediate sense of how small I am and how large the universe is. But there is more: I sense a closeness in spite of my smallness. I sense an attraction and a yearning for mystery that far outreaches my rational mind. My whole being is filled with an "ah," and I find myself wanting to kneel before the beauty and the mystery of the Creator.

During this season, go outside on a clear-sky evening. Be as still as you can. Look up at the amazing lights of the sky. Welcome again into your heart the Holy One whose radiant presence fills our vast universe.

Happy Holy Days and may the Star lead you to peace, joy, and gratefulness.

IMPORTANT DATES

PLEASE CAREFULLY LOOK AT THESE CHANGES:

There **will be NO health screenings** in December.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 12

There is a change in timing for our monthly food giveaway. Please bring your bags.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20:

There will be **NO formal classes**. We are having a Grand Christmas Fiesta and Santa's visit to the children. Even if you do not have classes, please come and celebrate. Please bring a favorite food to share. We will have an all-Center Party beginning at 9:30 A.M. At 11 AM Santa will come to visit the children.

Please bring your phones/cameras for photos.

CHRISTMAS VACATION:

Friday, December 21 until Friday, January 5.
Classes resume on January 7, 2019!

THE TOY GIVEAWAY WILL ONLY TAKE PLACE ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22.

The toys which we depend on getting will only be sorted that morning. You must fill out a form for toys for your children up to age 12 years old.

The timing for the toy giveaway is from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Center.

There is no schedule this year for you to come by levels or classes.

Please do not bring your children

Happy New Year!



Preschool Activities

- ❄️ **Week 1: Winter Season**
The children will learn the winter season and how it change.
- ❄️ **Week 2: Winter Weather**
The children will learn about the weather and what activities they can do in winter season.
- ❄️ **Week 3: Christmas**
The children will learn how Christmas is celebrated in different countries



December 20th Santa comes to visit our children at 11AM

