

CASA

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OUR MISSION

Our heart is to help kids form and develop a healthy emotional maturity, intelligence, and confidence.

Listed below are some of the approaches and goals we have with our program:

- Safety of Children
- Working on the parent-child relationship
- Using Creativity, fun activities, and positive parenting skills to help children with their conduct
- Teaching coping skills and problem solving skills
- Reinforcing compassion, love, and empathy for our neighbors
- Using Art and Music classes to promote their creativity

OUR VISION

We believe that children can find who they are through art. We understand that each kid learns in different ways and we want to provide a place where they can find their own way of learning. We understand that through art and playing kids are able to find meaning and the essence of who they are. CASA KIDS is an environment in which kids can be free and secure; an environment in which they can feel happy about themselves and where they can see and develop their strengths.

OVERVIEW

Psychology studies have demonstrated that the first 10 years of a child's life is the most crucial time of a person's life because that is the stage in which one's moral values are established. Therefore we take this study very seriously and believe that this time period of these children's lives is our opportunity to invest in their lives for them to become potential leaders and change-makers with strong moral values.

We believe in children who can follow their dreams, grow up with confidence, and have big aspirations. We believe that children are the future of our country and we want to be part of their success. We want to help children enjoy their learning experience, help with their spiritual growth, and work on their confidence and self-esteem.

It is very important for children to receive an individualize care that is systematically involved in their lives, and that is the type of care we are interested in providing.

The well being of your child is our priority. However, we know that their stability many times depends on the stability of the family. Therefore CASA KIDS is a project that entails parents, teachers, and the child. Our interest is to not only work on their well-being while being in this environment, but also know what is happening in the other environment where the child spends most of his/her time.

The after school care program will serve 20 children from 4 to 9 years of age. The program will open from school dismissal through 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday.

VALUES

CREATIVE

Creativity is an innate gift in each child and it is our task to give them tools for them to continue to develop. We get old when we stop playing, and that is why we believe that if we teach our kids to always stay creative, everything that they do will feel like a game, and therefore they will never get old.

AFFECTIONATE

There is no stronger force on earth than love. We believe that a child who knows how to love him or herself and the neighbor is an agent of change for this society that seems to be more divided than ever before. We want to promote compassion, love, and empathy for our neighbor.

SELF-CONFIDENT

A child who knows who he or she is and feels confident about his or her personality will have the advantage of developing to its maximum potential.

AUTHENTIC

In times where the new generations are being bombarded constantly with distorted images of reality, there's nothing more powerful than a kid who feels confident to show him or herself authentically and does not have to change to feel accepted.

How do we achieve this?

- Through creative labs where kids will have the possibility to interact with music, art, and physical activities.
- Therapies focused on the family system: once a month each family will have the possibility to meet up with a professional therapist to converse about which the best strategies are for the development of the child.
- Field Trips: getting dirty, being in contact with nature, and playing in the mud are basic elements that have contributed to the healthy development of a kid for generations.

FAMILY INTERVIEW

Each family registered in the program will count with the company of a family therapist. Once a month, each family will have the possibility to have a one hour session to talk about the child's progress and for the therapist to understand the context of the child. This service is included in the monthly fee of each child.

CURRICULUM

CASA KIDS does provide a curriculum based on Art and creativity. We believe Art is another form of expression and therefore we motivate children to express themselves through it.

As an educational organization, our culture and responsibility is to be available for questions and explanations through the process of gathering resources and information for answers, as well as encouraging minds to stay creative and motivating children to have active imagination.

We also support school day learning and educational development. Our goal is to assist children in their assigned school homework while they also explore their creativity through different activities and “labs”.

These are the labs your kid will experience at CASA KIDS:

- Music Lab
- Paint Lab
- Art Lab
- Homework
- Reading Lab
- Dance Lab

Music Lab:

We know that music is fundamental in the life of every person, especially in kids in ages of development. Music is important in their intellectual, sensorial, auditory, and motor development. In this lab we will practice piano, guitar, and singing.

Paint Lab:

This lab will provide your child with basic tools to learn how to paint and combine colors, and we will end the year with a project in which each kid will paint his/her own jean jacket.

Art Lab:

Manual Art strengthen the creativity of kids, because it teaches them how many fun things can be made out of just a few materials. This lab will be subdivided in embroidery and crafts.

Homework:

We will provide the kids with one hour daily to help them work on their school homework and giving them the attention each of them need. In case the kids do not have homework, we will provide them with other activities during that hour.

Reading Lab:

We know that Reading in the early years of childhood contributes with multiple benefits that will follow them during their whole lives. Some of the benefits that can be found in this activity are the diminution of concentration problems, improvement of their problem solving skills through stories and examples, and improvement of the expression in the communication with others.

Dance Lab:

The physical activity is fundamental for kids because they have plenty of energy that needs to be put into movement. We will provide them with dance classes with a professional dance teacher that will give them tools to follow the rhythm of music, team work, movement coordination and expression.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2:00 - 2:15pm		Starting	Starting	Starting	Starting
2:15 - 2:30pm		Snack	Snack	Snack	Snack
2:30 - 3:30pm		Paint Lab	Music Lab	Dance Lab	Paint Lab
3:30 - 4:30pm		Art Lab	Reading Lab	Reading Lab	Art Lab

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
4:30 - 5:00pm		Snack/Break	Snack/Break	Snack/Break	Snack/Break
5:00 - 6:00pm		Homework	Homework	Homework	Homework
6:00 - 6:30pm		Clean-up/ Dismissal	Clean-up/ Dismissal	Clean-up/ Dismissal	Clean-up/ Dismissal

TUITION AND FEES

Annual Registration and Materials: \$90.-

Weekly Tuition Tuesday and Thursday (school dismissal– 6:00pm): \$75.-

Weekly Tuition Wednesday and Friday (school dismissal– 6:00pm): \$75.-

Weekly Tuition Tuesday through Friday (school dismissal– 6:00pm): \$125.-

(a) This after-school facility will not make any refunds on registration and material fees.

(b) This after-school facility will not make any refunds on tuition fees for the week in which my child is present.

(c) I agree to pay the amount specified in the above schedule of tuition and fees regardless of my child being absent from center while being enrolled.

(d) Tuition payments are only waved in case of hospitalization, holidays, and emergency condition days when school is closed.

(e) If any account becomes delinquent more than two weeks, I understand that it will result in my child being suspended from school until the account is brought current.

(f) I understand that if my payment is not received by Tuesday Morning, a late charge in the amount of \$20.00 will be charged to my account.

(g) I am informed that s \$29 charge will be added to my account for any NSF checks.

(h) I understand that if I pick up my child after 6:30p.m. a fee of \$15 will be charged for every extra half an hour.

This after-school Program reserves the right to collect delinquent funds by using the services of collection agency. Please be advised this may affect your credit history.

Program Acknowledgment: We have reviewed these policies and hereby agree to all the above mentioned rules and regulations of this program.

Parent/Tutor

Date