

# April 2026 Office Newsletter



- \* As the weather starts to warm up, we hope to be spending more time outdoors! We are all looking forward to the warmer weather! Please be sure that your child has weather appropriate clothing each day.
- \* Remember to look at Scholastic.com for the new arrival of books this month. Our school code is HHZ9K. Each family order provides us with points for ordering materials for the classroom.
- \* If you have not already purchased tickets to our Spring Fundraiser, please do so in the office. We will be having this event at Coach's Bar & Grill. This year's theme is 80's, dress the part!
- \* All Aboard...Learning Express, Inc. will be celebrating NAEYC's Week of the Young Child April 13<sup>th</sup> through April 17<sup>th</sup>. #WOYC26! Each classroom will be participating in daily themed events. Please see a list of daily activities attached.
- \* Mark your calendars, Spring pictures will be taken on April 21<sup>st</sup> and April 22<sup>nd</sup>. A detailed letter with more information will be coming home soon.
- \* If your child is registered for our summer program, please remember that all paperwork and fees are due no later than, May 4<sup>th</sup>. All school year fees are due no later than, May 26<sup>th</sup>. If you are unsure what is still required, please be sure to see Ms. Michelle in the office. Due to CPS starting their 2026-2027 School Year on August 24<sup>th</sup>, we will be extending our Summer program through August 21<sup>st</sup> and starting our 2026-2027 School year on August 24<sup>th</sup> as well.
- \* Once again, we are reminding all families about the importance of having each individual family being buzzed in separately at drop off and pick up. There are many different circumstances that require administration to be aware of each individual family that enters the building. First and foremost is the safety of the children in our care. In addition, there are solicitors, inspectors, and special pick-ups that we need to address. We know that each family is being kind to the person standing behind them and wants to be courteous by letting them in the door. We are asking each parent to please wait on the sidewalk and not on the stoop while the person in front of you is waiting to enter the building. Please be aware of children attempting to sneak in behind you.
- \* Good News! We have had our initial visit with our DCFS Rep. She was out to see the classroom that we are relicensing for an infant room. The initial measurements indicate that we are a go for the infant room starting at 6 weeks of age. AALE's next steps are to purchase the items required and reset the classrooms the proper way. At this time, we are still on schedule for a Grand Opening of our Infant Program on August 24<sup>th</sup>. Please send us an email if you are interested in this program. We will be sure to keep you posted every step of the way.
- \* We are closed on Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> for Good Friday  
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- \* Thank you to our wonderful families for the continual donations of Clorox wipes and tissue!



Dear Parents,

We are very excited to announce that the week of April 13<sup>th</sup> through April 17<sup>th</sup>, we will be celebrating "NAEYC's Week of The Young Child". The Week of the Young Child™ is an annual celebration sponsored by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC), the world's largest early childhood education association. All Aboard...Learning Express, Inc., will be incorporating the daily themes into an already exciting schedule.

The National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) is the premier accrediting body for early childhood programs in the United States and is the most recognized professional organization for early childhood educators. In 1985, NAEYC established a rigorous accreditation process to recognize programs providing the highest quality education and care for young children. Only a small percentage of the licensed early childhood programs in Illinois have achieved NAEYC Accreditation. The process includes more than 400 individual criteria to prove a program meets the highest standards; less than 20% of early childhood programs receive this astounding status. NAEYC Accreditation continues to represent the "gold standard" for excellence in early childhood education. **All Aboard...Learning Express, Inc applied for accreditation for the first time in 2003 and has been awarded the accreditation status every year since. We continue to incorporate these high standards into our curriculum every day.**

The theme for each day goes as follows:

**Music Monday, April 13<sup>th</sup>:** We will incorporate music into the entire day, including the use of musical instruments. We will also be making noise makers in class.

**Tasty Tuesday, April 14<sup>th</sup>:** **Tasty Tuesday and Family Friday will be celebrated together today!** We are asking parents to account for a little extra time at drop off on Tuesday morning. We will have Tasty Tuesday and Family Friday together with mini donuts, milk, and orange juice for breakfast on Tuesday. Please join your child in the classroom for a quick bite at drop off.

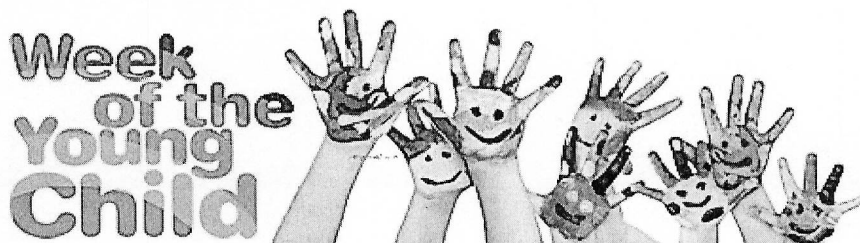
**Work Together Wednesday, April 15<sup>th</sup>:** Each class will create a project where they work together. NAEYC is asking teachers and educators to wear purple to promote the week, as purple is the color that signifies Week of the Young Child.

**Artsy Thursday, April 16<sup>th</sup>:** The children will use a variety of art materials to make a fun project in class. The children will have a plethora of art supplies and be encouraged to express their creativity.

**Family Friday, April 17<sup>th</sup>:** We are incorporating Family Friday into Tasty Tuesday, and asking parents to account for a little extra time at drop off on **Tuesday morning**. We will serve mini donuts, milk, and orange juice for breakfast; please join your child in the classroom for a quick bite on **Tuesday**.

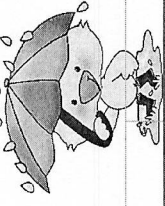
We are very excited about this special week and all the amazing projects and activities that come with it. More importantly, we are happy to celebrate the amazing students we have here at AALE!

Thank you!  
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# Nutritionized Menu



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>3/30</b> Beef and Rice Stuffed Pepper Casserole Diced Carrots Apple Dinner Roll	<b>3/31</b> Turkey and Cheese Sandwiches Pirates booty Mixed Vegetables Pears	<b>4/1</b> Cheese Pizza Salad Corn Ranch Dressing Bananas	<b>4/2</b> Beef Nachos/Tortilla Chips Shredded Cheddar Cheese Sour Cream Spanish Rice Corn and a Pear	<b>4/3</b> Chicken Nuggets Pretzels Ketchup Mixed Vegetables Fresh Fruit
<b>4/6</b> Baked Ziti with Chicken Brussel Sprouts Apple Dinner Roll	<b>4/7</b> Buttered Noodles Peas and Carrots Fresh Fruit White Bread	<b>4/8</b> Cheese Pizza Salad Corn Ranch Dressing Bananas	<b>4/9</b> French Toast Sticks Tater Tots Syrup Fresh Fruit	<b>4/10</b> Chicken Pot Pie Casserole Mashed Potatoes Cauliflower Orange Biscuit
<b>4/13</b> Pesto Past with Chicken Diced Carrots Apple Dinner Roll	<b>4/14</b> Turkey and Cheese Sandwiches Pirates booty Mixed Vegetables Pears	<b>4/15</b> Cheese Pizza Salad Corn Ranch Dressing Bananas	<b>4/16</b> Cheese Quesadillas Sour Cream Guacamole Tortilla Chips Corn Fresh Fruit	<b>4/17</b> Cheese Ravioli Marinara Sauces Green Beans Melon Mix Wheat Bread
<b>4/20</b> Beef Chilli Penne Pasta Brussel Sprouts Apple Dinner Roll	<b>4/21</b> Pasta with Marinara Sauce Green Beans White Bread Fresh Fruit	<b>4/22</b> Cheese Pizza Salad Corn Ranch Dressing Bananas	<b>4/23</b> Cheesy Potato Meatloaf Casserole Diced Carrots Pear Wheat bread	<b>4/24</b> Pancakes/syrup Tater tots Fresh Fruit
<b>4/27</b> Beef and Rice Stuffed Pepper Casserole Diced Carrots Apple Dinner Roll	<b>4/28</b> Hot Dogs/Buns Green Beans Ketchup Pretzels Fresh Fruit	<b>4/29</b> Cheese Pizza Salad Corn Ranch Dressing Bananas	<b>4/30</b> Chicken Nuggets Pretzels Ketchup Mixed Vegetables Fresh Fruit	

Our Chicken is 100% Natural, no artificial ingredients, no artificial colors, no preservatives. 2015 menus provided by Quality Catering approved by Emily Botma, RDN ~Nutrition information regarding these entrées is available on our website.