

Dear Parents and Friends of Leesburg Open Arms,

It is the vision of Christ Community Lutheran Church that Leesburg Open Arms be a place where families can grow together in their relationship with Christ and with one another. As a primary part of the ministry of CCLC, Leesburg Open Arms will offer developmentally appropriate Christian programs for ages six weeks through sixth grade. Our goal is to provide guidance which fosters self-discipline, self-reliance, and respect for others while developing a positive self-image. We will nurture Christian values and offer age appropriate activities which promote cognitive, motor, spiritual, self help, and social/emotional skill development. Children will be presented with the highly qualified Creative Curriculum framework as well as being taught basic Christian values.

Activities and programs of Leesburg Open Arms are designed with the age of the child in mind and are developed to build upon previous experiences. Many hands-on experiences will be offered to help children develop concepts and ideas. As concepts are introduced, the children are given opportunities to practice and reinforce what they have learned. By offering opportunities for children to try new things, they learn to trust those around them. Children will develop an "I can" attitude and feel part of a group while away from the family, along with developing a positive sense of who they are and what they can do.

The foundation by which we choose to raise our children needs to be invested jointly by parents and the staff of their children's schools. We need to be committed to work together. We already know parents are the first and primary teachers of their children. As children grow, their community expands and trusted relationships must be formed. To show our commitment, LOA will provide opportunities of support to encourage and equip families through various programs. The sooner we get started, the stronger the relationship, the better the investment for all!

Due to the high interest in our program, we are making all registration and enrollment information available on our website at www.leesburgopenarms.org.

Blessings,

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