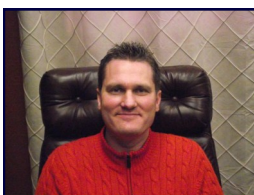


The LOGOS Word

How Much Practice Does It Take To Get It Right?



Letter from the Principal

Practice does not make perfect!
PERFECT practice makes perfect!

A rookie coach sits his 6th grade basketball team down and gives them five minutes of instruction on how to shoot free throws. He then sends them off to shoot 100 free throws - expecting great results. During their next game, his team shoots only 3 for 12 from the foul line! "That's it!" he says in his post-game tirade. "You are going to shoot 200 next practice!" What this new coach needs to learn is that a good coach does not only give instruction and demonstrate proper technique and the mental aspect of approaching the free throw line. He has learned that he MUST walk around

the gym - *watching* - to be sure that every player is *implementing* the strategies he just taught them.

The same is true with homeschooling. Parents who send their child upstairs with books, a computer, the *materials* to "do your school work" are not being good teachers. That doesn't mean we don't strive for our students to become independent learners. That will come only after we have *given them all the tools to learn, modeled* exactly what it is they need to do, and *checked for understanding*. Then, the real learning can take place.

To be a great coach, a parent has to spend individual time with each "player" - demonstrating technique and refining the student's actions until they can consistently demonstrate proper technique. It is only then that the student will realize the full potential of practice at home. Practicing incorrectly only makes things worse.

The Logos ES's are great teachers and coaches. But they are *no substitute for parents* who

will sit down, side-by-side, with their kids, walking them through the lessons and watching them do a few problems to check for understanding. We want to make sure that here at Logos our "coaches" have all the tools to teach. Often in the homeschool environment, a parent thinks they are saving time and/or money by not buying the solutions manuals or by purchasing an online curriculum and remaining distant. But in the end, you may find that child has been practicing incorrectly. This can result in school work that is far from perfect and much more difficult.

Logos parents, go the extra mile for your student. 200 free throws take a long time to shoot.

-Joe VonDolosi

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Hearts With A Mission



Hearts With A Mission

visited Logos on 3/30 sharing stories of compassion and hope and how they are working hard to address serious issues facing many youth in our Rogue Valley. Our Leadership Class is developing a school project to provide Hearts with a Mission

with some basic necessities; these might include: clothing, school supplies & hygiene care items. In addition to this, you may want to participate in some of their ongoing fundraising events: <http://www.heartswithamission.org/events.htm>

This is just one of the Service Learning opportunities we

have arranged for Logos students to participate in this spring. We encourage you to find a project that works for you & get involved in serving in our community!



SPRING HAS SPRUNG!

OAKS SPRING TESTING

Testing Centers:

Medford – Logos Charter School, 400 Earhart St.

Grants Pass – River Valley Community Church, 420 Northeast 7th Street

Northern Oregon – Various locations arranged, ES will schedule testing with families.

MATH 3rd-HS

Medford: Mon.-Wed. 4/4-4/6

WRITING HS

Medford: Wed.-Thur. 4/13-4/14
Grants Pass: Mon.-Tues. 4/18-4/19

SCIENCE/SOCIAL-STUDIES 5th, 8th, HS

Medford: Mon.-Tues. 4/11-4/12
Grants Pass: Wed.-Thur. 4/20-4/21

Any OAKS Tests 3rd-HS

Grants Pass: Thur. 4/21
Medford: Mon.-Thur. 4/26-4/28
Medford: Mon.-Wed. 5/2-5/4
Grants Pass: Thur. 5/12

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High School News

Logos First Annual Prom Night

Saturday, May 14, 2011

Open to all 10-12th graders who attend Logos & escorts
Rosso's Trattoria, 31 S. Grape St.
Medford, OR

7:00pm to closing

Dinner and dancing

Formal wear

Photographer on hand for posed photos

\$30.00 per ticket

Questions or Want to Help?
Contact Corinne King
c.king@logoscharter.com



LOGOS GRADUATION CEREMONY

Mark your calendar!

Saturday, June 4, 2011

South Medford High

10:00 AM

Reception to Follow

LOGOS SENIOR PROJECT DAY PRESENTATIONS

Thursday, May 19th 2:00-5:00 PM

During this time our Senior Logos Students will be giving their required individual Senior Project Presentations. You are invited to attend, children who are able to sit quietly may accompany you.

High School Students...here's a comprehensive website for assessing your skills and interests, learning about post high school options and career choices. **Check it out!**

<http://oregoncis.uoregon.edu/home/>
Click on "Sign-in CIS for Internet" User name: panthers Password: smhs
On the right side of the page, look under "South Medford High School". Click on "Create My Career Planning Portfolio". Students will be able to save your work throughout the semester and beyond. Complete the form and remember your user name and password.

Programs of Study and Training:

Covers all types of post-secondary education, from apprenticeship to professional degrees, and describes in detail about 4,000 programs offered by schools in Oregon. ...continued on page 4



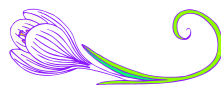
Educational Specialists in the Spotlight



Cynthia LaMar, ES, has been in education for 16 years. At Logos, she teaches 3rd-11th grade in all subjects with a focus in English and history. She began by teaching primary students, then intermediate and finally secondary. She received her B.A. in Liberal Studies with a minor in Communications from the University of California

(Sacramento). She grew up in Klamath Falls but has been in the Medford area for the three years. Cynthia has two sons and has owned two businesses: a California French Cuisine & a Rib House Restaurant. She was also the Events Coordinator for both of these, coordinating wedding events and various parties. Ms. LaMar is a Master Gardener, enjoys horseback riding, hiking, traveling and cooking. She loves Logos

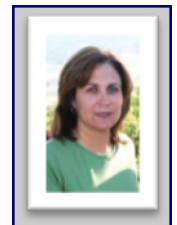
because she is able to create her own schedule with autonomy, be a part of an exciting and incredibly rewarding opportunity, and meet the individual needs of her students. Her goals are to continue to learn, stay fit & active and write a cookbook. Cynthia is unique in that she has great energy and optimism. She says, "Attitude is everything. It's the one thing that we all can control."



Janet West, ES, has been a substitute teacher at Cascade Christian High for four years and the Medford 549c district for two. Her favorite job description for the past 20 years is being a homemaker. However, she has "finally put her education to work." She received her Bachelor of Science degree in Liberal Studies from Corbin University in Salem, Oregon. She has four sons and enjoys attending their baseball

games averaging a whopping 100 games a year! Janet tries to learn a little bit about everything so that she can have a conversation with anyone. "This works well," she says, "until people think you know more than you do!" Her family's slogan is "West's do their best!" Janet was raised throughout the Pacific Northwest where her parents were missionaries to rural America. She has lived in several small

communities from coastal Fairview, Oregon, to the Southeastern farmland of Touchet, Washington, to the rugged northern California mountains of Horse Creek and Seiad Valley. She sums up her attitude with, "If you decide to like some place-then you will!"



Logos Snapshots—Field Trips/Campus Activity/Family Activities



Dogs for the Deaf



Dr. Seuss Read
Across America



LOGOS FAMILY BOWLING NIGHT

Field Trips—Weather Station

Logos Family Bowling Night

NOAA Weather Station FIELD TRIP Thur. April 14th

Logos Students will have the opportunity to visit the Medford's National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration Station on Thursday, April 14th, 2:00-3:00 pm (stay longer to watch the Weather Balloon go up). This stations monitors & reports the weather for our Rogue Valley. Sign up via email: fieldtrips@logoscharter.com. Put "Weather" in the subject line, include the names & grades of students attending in the body of the text. <http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/reachout/kidspage.shtml>



LOGOS FAMILY BOWLING NIGHT!!! TUESDAY, APRIL 26TH 6:45 PM – 8:00 PM
\$2.75/pp all ages, includes shoes.

Come out for an evening of fun with other Logos Families!

2375 South Pacific Hwy., Medford, OR 97501(541) 772-7171 A neighborhood family oriented atmosphere.

Sign-up via email: fieldtrips@logoscharter.com
Put **Bowling** in the subject line, include names of all family members that will be bowling.



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MATH LAB TUTORING FREE TO LOGOS!

Math Lab: Mondays 3:30—5:00 PM

Grades: 3rd—12th

Bring your curriculum and questions

Logos Charter School

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SERVICE LEARNING UPDATE!!!

Everybody can be great... because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and verb agree to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love.

- Martin Luther King, Jr.

Logos Charter School....

Let's get started becoming active members serving our community!

This spring, we have organized three projects for students and their families to participate in:

1. Hearts With a Mission, a local teen shelter. <http://www.heartswithamission.org/> Hearts With a Mission is serving an often overlooked group, homeless youth ages 10 – 17 in Jackson County. These teenagers, who come from a variety of backgrounds and circumstances, find a safe haven here with a comfortable bed, hot meals and compassionate people to help them get back on track. Watch for a school-wide drive of clothing, school and hygiene supplies.
2. May Day art project delivered to the Northridge Center, an assisted-living facility in Medford. <http://northridgecenter.net/>. Let's bring spring cheer to our new friends at the Northridge. A **colorful art project** will be available in our main room during the April OAKS testing. Students of all ages are invited to participate! Students K – 12th grade are invited to deliver the art projects to the Northridge Center on **Monday, May 2 from 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.** Sign-up to **deliver** gifts via email: b.huard@logoscharter.com Write "Northridge" in the subject line. Please include the names and grades of your students.
3. Sanctuary One at Double Oak Farm <http://www.sanctuaryone.org/about.html> Their motto: People, animals, and the earth; better together. Sanctuary One provides students with an opportunity to directly experience the natural world, learning about local history, farming practices, and animal care and interacting with the animals. **Wednesday, May 11 from 1:00—4:00 p.m.** Sign-up by emailing b.huard@logoscharter.com. Write "Sanctuary One" in the subject line. Please include the names and grades of your students.

All of this adds up to **SERVICE-LEARNING**. At Logos Charter School, our mission is to provide a *personalized learning* program which can include flexible learning in multiple environments. Learning about our community and providing valuable service accomplishes this goal! Ask your ES about getting school credit for participating in service projects.

Resources



From the Desk of the Resource Librarian

Spring is here, and it's time to start thinking about summer! If you have allotment funds, now's the time to order for summer. Homeschooling parents know that just because the school year is over doesn't mean learning has to stop! Please order consumables, as non-consumables (barcoded items) will need to be returned at the end of the school year in most cases for inventory reasons. We will also have one more book order coming soon, so stay tuned for more information!

-April Sanders



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Schools:

Gives detailed information about all accredited public and private colleges, universities, community colleges, and licensed vocational training schools in Oregon (more than 300 institutions). Provides information almost 4,500 accredited public and private institutions throughout the United States that offer programs at the two-year associate level or above. Any three schools can be compared on over 150 topics of information of interest to prospective students.

Financial Aid:

Presents major sources of financial aid for college and other postsecondary education. Also contains information about specific national scholarships along with Oregon state and local awards.

FREE ONLINE RESOURCES!



Questgarden: <http://questgarden.com/search/>

Use this tool to search through the top webquests on the Internet. Search by grade, subject or both. ****Note there is no "www" in this address!****



GOOGLE Science Fair- online global science fair extended, Ages 13-18, project submission April 4th
<http://www.google.com/events/sciencefair/>