

# OKECC ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES 2017-2018

Enrichment is open to all children in OKECC enrolled in an age 4/5's class on Mondays thru Fridays or enrolled in an age 3/4's Tuesdays thru Fridays, from 1:15pm to 2:30pm each day. Families have the option to enroll their child(ren) in one or multiple enrichment activities. All children who stay for any enrichment will have a rest period from 1:00pm to 1:15pm. There is a maximum number of children that can be enrolled in each enrichment class, and therefore signup in advance is required. All of our enrichment activities are designed to recognize the developmentally appropriate practice based on the age of our children. Depending on the enrichment activity, some classes are designed to include time on the playground, exploring centers in the classroom, joining together to play or learn a new game, or hear a special story. When picking up from enrichment, all caregivers should enter through the front door, and then proceed directly to the enrichment classroom and sign out their child(ren) with an OKECC educator.

## MONDAYS

**Abrakadoodle Art**  
*(children in age 4/5's  
classes only)*

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## TUESDAYS

**Around The World**

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## WEDNESDAYS

**Sports  
And Movement**

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## THURSDAYS

**Hebrew**

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## FRIDAYS

**Tennis**



**MONDAYS**

## **ABRAKADOODLE ART**

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**LEAD EDUCATOR: Nancy Mendez**

**Level 2, Upstairs Classroom**

*(children in age 4/5's classes only)*

Abrakadoodle Arts Education is pleased to be able to return for a second year to provide Art in Our World.

Art in Our World focuses on the diverse artistic expression of countries from around the globe. We'll study shape, line, color, sculpture, printing and many other artistic elements and techniques of native cultures. Abrakadoodle is a process-oriented, child centric program that is devoted to building students' motor skills, problem-solving abilities, natural curiosity, creativity, imagination and verbalization.

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This will be the second year that Nancy Mendez, Abrakadoodle art educator, will be teaching at OKECC. Nancy is excited to bring her life-long love of art and working with children to this series. A graduate of VCU and the child of artists, she has worked in various creative fields while raising her own two daughters. "Little people are natural art makers. I am delighted to guide them. They teach me so much."



**TUESDAYS**

## **AROUND THE WORLD**

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**LEAD EDUCATOR: Steven Ekoka Priso**

**Level 2, Upstairs Classroom**

Around The World returns for a second year, allowing the children to learn about different countries. Through stories, games, music, cooking and exploring traditions native to each applicable country, the children will get to know a range of cultures. Children will discover together what it is like to live in other countries, and develop an appreciation for the similarities and differences of daily life around the world!

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Steven Ekoka Priso is returning for his sixth year as an Educator at OKECC. He has led and assisted with a variety of enrichment programs in the past years. In addition to Around The World, Steven has created, developed and led each of the following enrichments throughout his tenure: Sports and Movement, Earth Explorations, Garden & Nature, and Creative Movement. Also, for the past four summers, he has been the OKECC Summer Discovery weekly Sports & Movement specialist for all age groups. Steven is looking forward to leading the way as the children learn about the different aspects of a variety of countries over the course of the school year.



**WEDNESDAYS**

## **SPORTS AND MOVEMENT**

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**LEAD EDUCATOR: Steven Ekoka Priso**

**Ray's Meadow and Social Hall**

Coach Steven is well known for his summer Sports and Movement sessions with all age groups at OKECC and this weekly school year enrichment has been a fan-favorite for many years! Children will learn the fundamentals of a variety of sports and movement games at a developmentally age appropriate level. Both gross and fine motor skills will be refined through a variety of active but guided play each week.

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**THURSDAYS**

**HEBREW**

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**LEAD EDUCATOR: Ayelet Levi**

**Room 8**

Through indoor games, art, stories, movement and songs, children will deepen their knowledge of Hebrew and Israel. Weekly classes will complement the Jewish learning at OKECC and also expose children to different and new Hebrew words, further developing their spoken language skills, comprehension and letter recognition.

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We welcome Ayelet Levi back to the OKECC community for her second year. Ayelet Levi, was born and raised in Israel, and before coming to our school she was living and studying in Beer Sheva, the city known as “The capitol of the Negev”. In addition to leading the Hebrew enrichment, Ayelet will serve for a second year as the Shaliach, spending time each week in the OKECC classrooms teaching all the children Hebrew.



**FRIDAYS**

**TENNIS**

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**LEAD EDUCATOR: Albert Ablrh**

**Social Hall**

After a glowing reviews from the OKECC Summer Discovery program, the Tennis Enrichment will be offered for the upcoming school year and Albert Ablrh will continue as the lead instructor. Children will learn about the fundamentals of the game and explore the fun of tennis! All equipment will be provided. Only sneakers and an openness to learn about the sport are needed!

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We welcome Albert Ablrh to the OKECC community. Albert has been teaching tennis to children as young as 3 ½ years to adults as old as ... (*age concealed to protect the elderly* 😊). He currently works at Lakewood Country Club in Rockville, MD. Albert loves to encourage everyone to play tennis not only for strategy, but also for their well-being.