



Town and Country Private School and Camp

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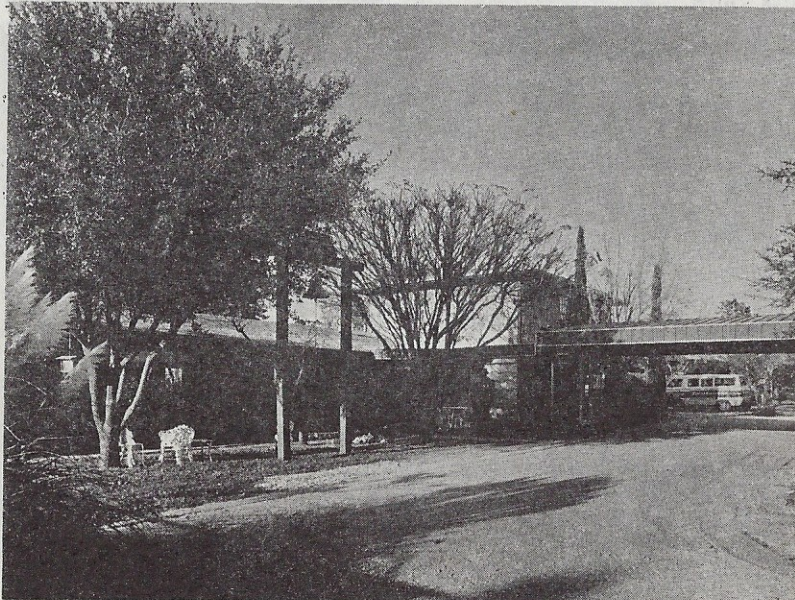
9 BEAUTIFULLY LANDSCAPED ACRES OF COUNTRY SIDE CAMPUS
WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF METROPOLITAN HOUSTON



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Introduction

Town and Country Private School was founded in 1954 by Mrs. Jean Bobo, in her home with an enrollment of six children. It has been directed by her daughter, Mrs. Barbara Arnold, since 1965. The school has grown to a facility which is located on a nine acre campus. The campus consists of four separate buildings and two swimming pools. Each building and the campus surrounding it is designed with a particular age group in mind.

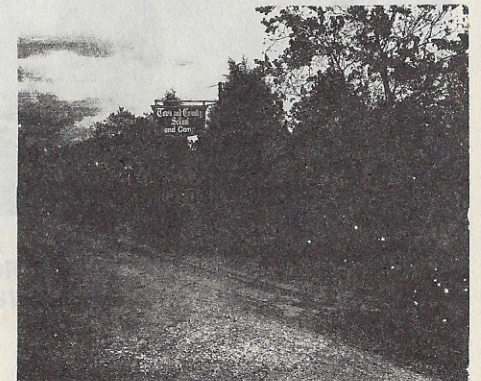
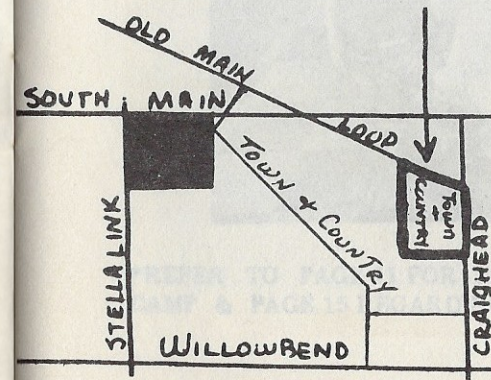
Town and Country offers a scholastic program for children 1½ years of age through the Fourth Grade. In addition we offer transportation to southwest area public schools, a Pre-teen Canteen program, and a summer camp program.

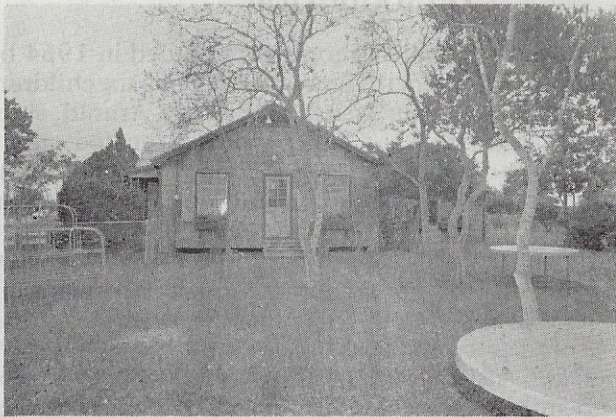
The school's objective is to supply the child with new experiences, independence, security and the loving guidance of a staff who understands each age and stage of development. The school strongly stresses a basic understanding of phonics and mathematics, which develops a secure educational foundation, utilizing traditional methods.

There are two types of commercial establishments that care for children. One of these being day care centers and the other private schools. We feel that Town and Country has achieved its basic goal by becoming a third type of establishment. We are as committed to superior education as we are to the excellent care we offer to each child. Our's is a home like atmosphere, in which each child is treated as an individual. Because of our facilities he is able to participate in a greater variety of activities than those to which most children are exposed.

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Parents are cordially invited to visit the school by appointment or call 666-4249 for further information.





The Preparatory School

1½ — 3½ year olds

At 1½ years of age the aim is to bridge the gap between the infant child and the much more mature three year old.

Activities and toys are used in teaching him to use his hands and develop fine motor control. Games, simple stories and pictures are very important in increasing vocabulary and verbal understanding.

Realizing that the process, not the end result, is important, musical games, to express rhythm and art work is introduced.

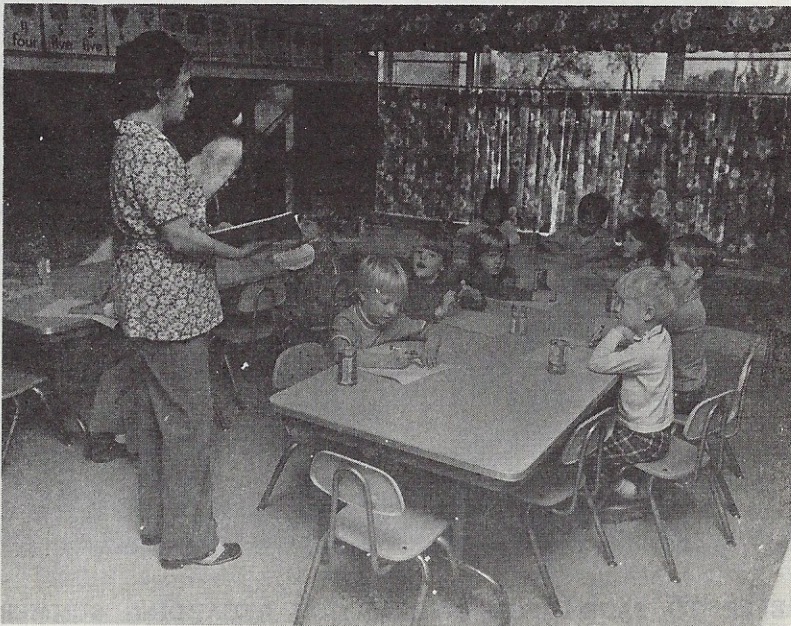
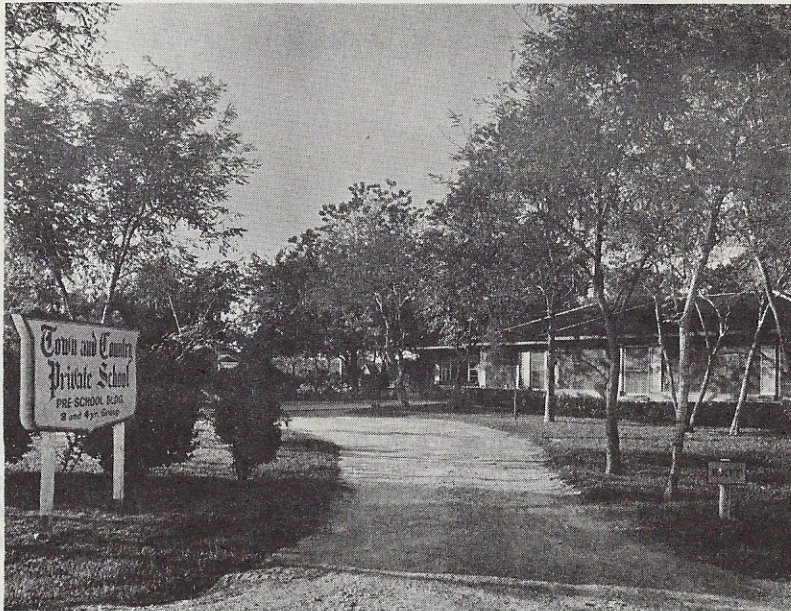
To the two year old program is added color recognition, number concepts 1, 2 and 3, self expression through art work and perception of shapes, sounds, etc.

Our primary concern is to teach each child to work and play with his peers and furnish constant physical supervision and emotional security.

Each child's emotional and social progress is evaluated once a year, and Progress Reports are given each May. Administrators and teachers are always available for consultation and welcome personal contact with parents.

A detailed outline of each group's curriculum is available upon request.

*REFER TO PAGE 11 FOR INFORMATION REGARDING SUMMER CAMP & PAGE 15 REGARDING SWIMMING INSTRUCTIONS.



The Pre-School

(3 thru 4 years)



Town and Country Private School presents a pre-kindergarten program which stimulates a desire to learn by use of play and games. This is a very rewarding age - one that should be enjoyed rather than handled.

Muscle control and development are a primary concern. By the use of finger plays, games, and motor control practices, the children develop the small muscles in the hand and are ready to begin writing. By January they begin printing their names and numbers, one through 10. We begin color concepts by use of various songs and games to help the children distinguish and familiarize themselves with the basic colors and their variations. A study plan is sent to each parent weekly explaining in detail each weeks class work.

The reading readiness phase of our program is presented during the second semester, and helps children develop an ability to note likenesses, and differences and understanding of words. We have co-ordinated a program for understanding numbers, counting objects and recognizing numbers by the use of various games, counting blocks, songs and educational toys.

The art work is presented to each student daily and consists of easel painting, finger painting, water coloring, use of chalk, crayons, clay, paste and scissors. This opportunity for self-expression is both pleasing and strives toward developing an interest in learning.

Music and field trips are still another vital part of a child's education. Field trips are co-ordinated with the education program or with a special event.

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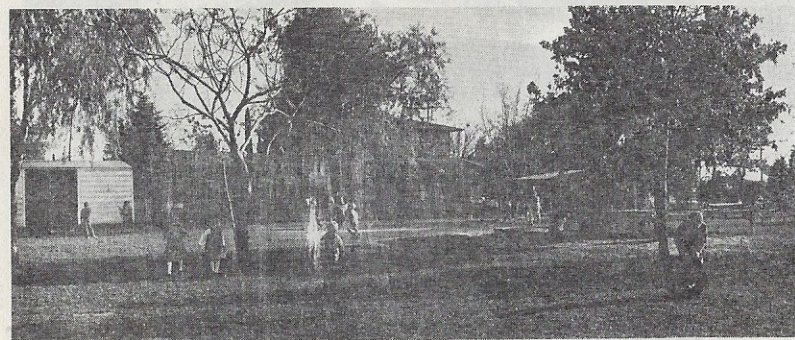
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The Elementary School

(Kindergarten thru Fourth Grade)



Town and Country's elementary school department is accelerated and planned for normally bright children. Individual attention by experienced, qualified staff members is stressed and close contact with parents is encouraged. A study plan is sent to each parent once a week, explaining in detail each day's class work and home work. Parents are contacted each three week period in the event of unsatisfactory work or any problems which might arise. Students transferring from Town and Country are readily accepted in any private, public or parochial school and are usually advanced students. Any student not continuing enrollment must be tested prior to acceptance.

A strong phonetic program, slowly and repetitiously introduced is our main concern. Any child that can attack and sound out a word with confidence will become a strong reader. This is of greatest importance being that reading is the most valuable tool in learning. Children begin reading in Kindergarten. Plays, poetry, use of the dictionary and an unlimited variety of books are introduced as the student progresses to each grade.

Basic number concepts are stressed, rather than counting by rote, in Kindergarten. Beginning in first grade, Modern Mathematics is taught, multiplication and word problems are also introduced. Division is added in second grade. Money, measurements, Roman numerals, study of calendar, telling time, numbers through millions, brief work with fractions and descriptive Geometry are part of the third and fourth grade curriculums.

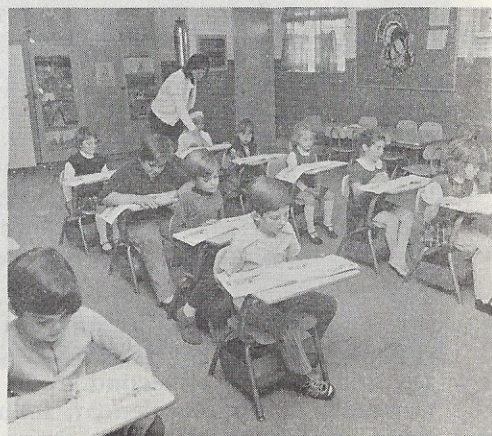
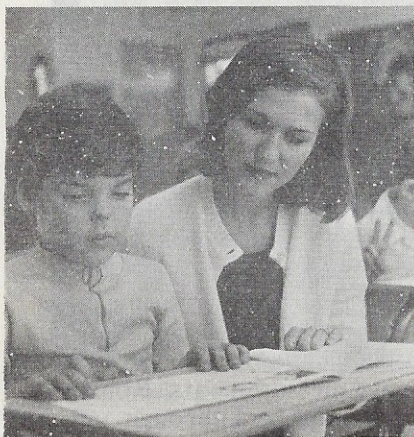
Music, art appreciation, field trips and Social Science further round out the programs.

In addition, we stress good manners, emotional maturity self-discipline, confidence in oneself, relationships to adults as well as to other children and an eagerness to learn. Both administrators and teachers are available for consultation at all times.

A detailed outline of each grade's curriculum is available upon request.



EACH STUDENT, FIRST THROUGH FOURTH GRADE IS TO BRING THEIR LUNCH.



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The Pre-Teen Canteen

(First through Sixth Grade)

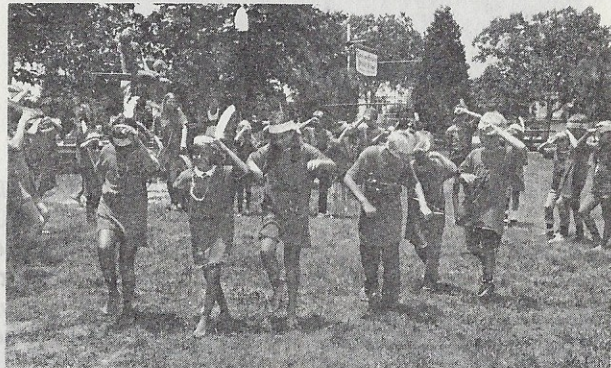


Town and Country is proud to offer a program combining transportation to and from southwest area elementary schools with a fun-filled afternoon of activities for the enjoyment and enrichment of its students and dependable convenience for their parents

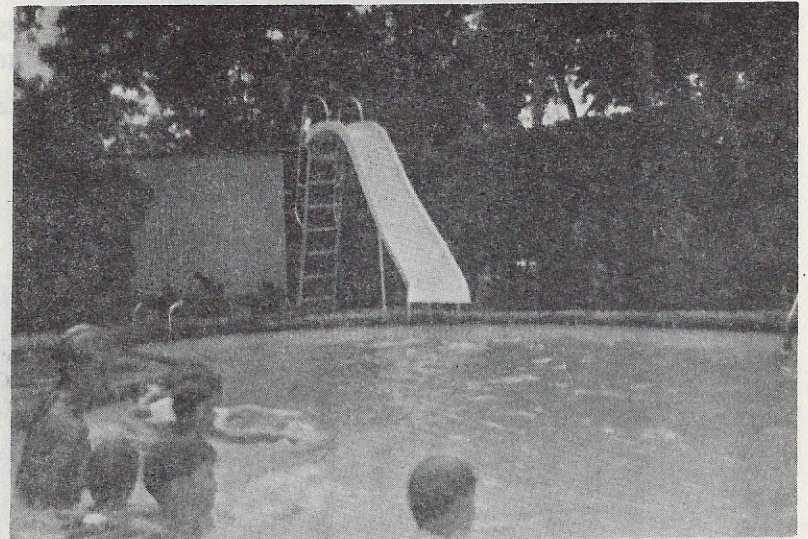
Elementary students are transported in school buses from Town and Country to their respective schools. The advertisement on our buses by no means reflects a "nursery" atmosphere, instead, it is geared to the exciting pace we have set for our "pre-teens".

The Pre-Teen Canteen, under the guidance of experienced camp counselors offers an Arts & Crafts room, Juke Box room, Movie room, and of course, a Homework room. The "pre-teens" are separated entirely from the younger children, as their needs and interests are so specialized. Activities are geared to outdoors during the warm months and directed more to the indoors when the weather becomes cooler. Activities include: handicrafts, swimming, dancing, horseback riding, trampoline, movies, tumbling, organized games and exciting field trips on school holidays. The children also participate in raising our varied small animals including our colt.

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Summer Camp



Summer is a special time at Town and Country. Our entire program is geared to a relaxed, meaningful vacation for our campers. We feel that this program offers each child an opportunity to attend "a camp" without leaving the city and at a minimum cost to parents.

The items listed below and the availability of our large campus offers each camper exposure to activities he would not normally have access to.

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| Horseback Riding | Trampoline |
| Swimming Instructions | Baton Twirling |
| Arts & Crafts | Field Trips |
| Tumbling | Baseball |
| Movies | Ping Pong |
| 9 acre campus | Over Night camp outs |
| Handi-crafts | Experienced Camp Counselors |
| Regulation Size Pool | Animal Contact Area |
| | Special Pool 1' to 4' deep |

Each activity is geared to the age group or groups for which it is suited and is included in the monthly tuition.

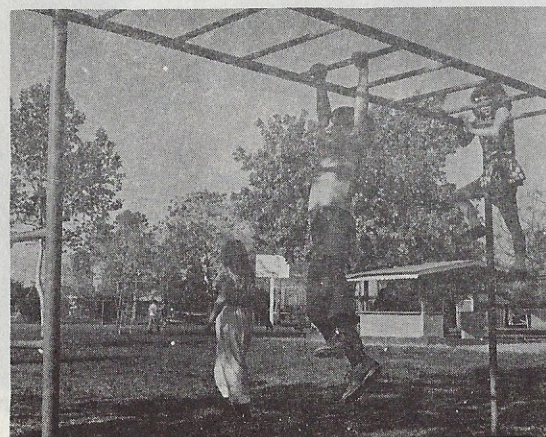
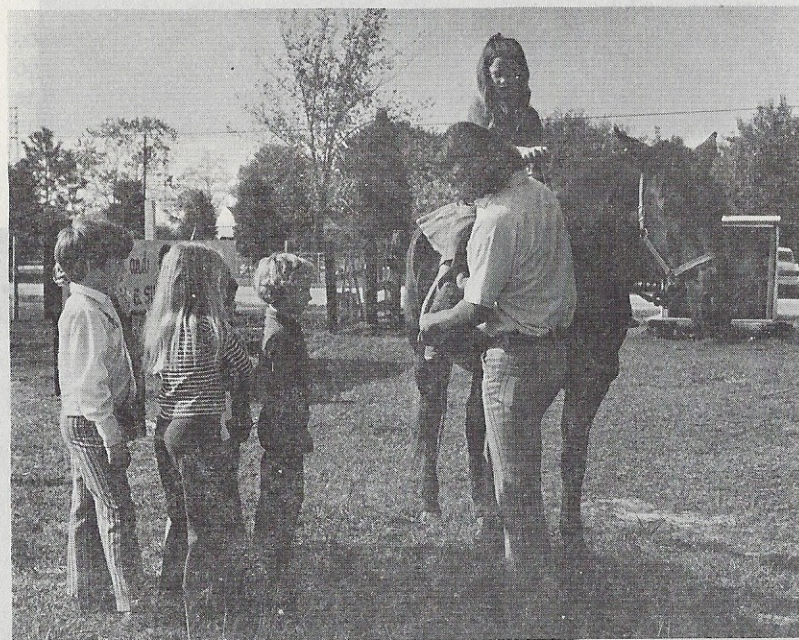


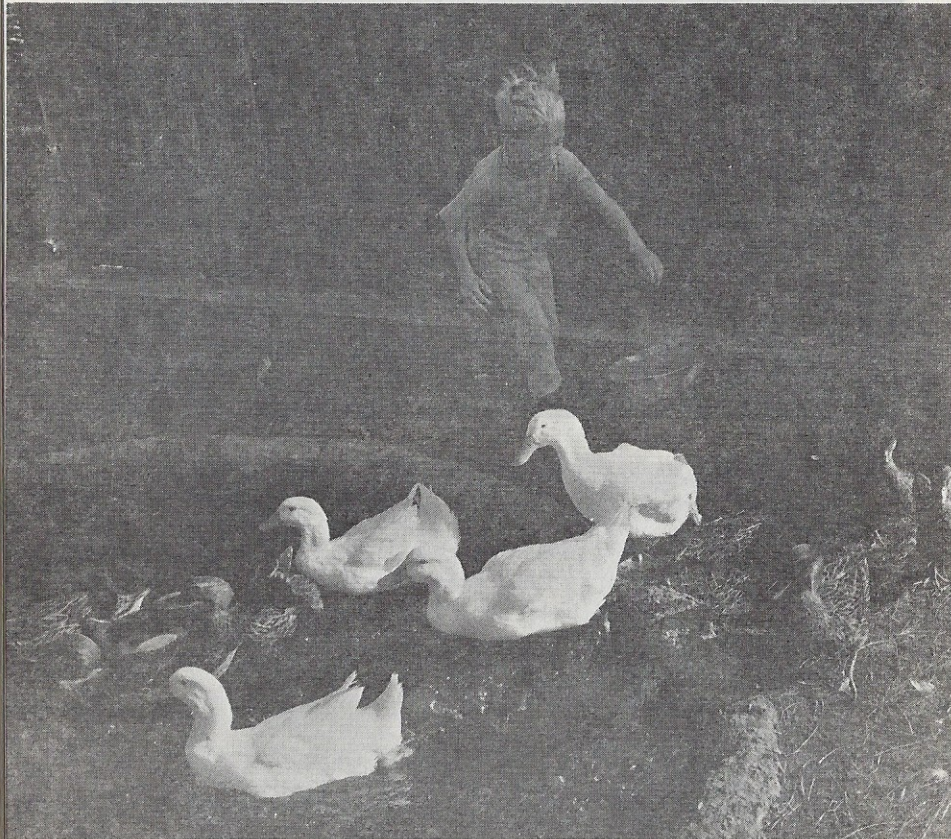
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ALL CHILDREN ENROLLED IN THE ALL DAY PROGRAM PARTICIPATE IN "FREE SWIM", EACH DAY.

REFER TO SWIMMING INSTRUCTIONS SECTION FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.

REFER TO PAGE 19 FOR POLICIES REGARDING TUITION PAYMENTS.





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To Parents Interested in Swimming Instructions:

Attached are the lists of swimming tests the children must pass to earn their swimming certificates. The children will receive their certificates on the day they earn each one as reward for their work and accomplishments. For testing purposes even the more advanced swimmers will start at the first test for review and to improve form.

At the beginning of every swimming season some children with tender feet experience soreness, particularly on their toes. This will disappear as their feet become more accustomed to the concrete deck area and the pool surface area. Children's feet are slippery when wet, and a completely smooth surface around the pool, on the steps, and in the pool would not be safe. A sore toe is preferable to a bad fall on the concrete.

The water in our pools is being circulated and filtered twenty-four hours a day. The bottom of the pool is vacumed daily, and the surface is skimmed daily to remove grass, leaves and insects. The water is tested twice a day for proper balance of chlorine, Ph., and other chemical properties to maintain purity. The City of Houston Health Department inspects our pools monthly, and makes a chemical analysis of the water. In addition to this we recommend a drop of alcohol in each ear when the children leave the pool. The purpose of this is to help evaporate any water that may be in the ear, thus discouraging any fungus trouble in the ear caused by moisture in the climate. Please call the school office if your physician does not wish your child to have a drop of alcohol in each ear when they leave the pool. Otherwise all children will receive them.

If you have access to a pool and time to work with your child it will be helpful and will let your child progress even faster. If you leave a message in the office we'll be glad to let you know the swimming skills your child is currently learning. We recommend the booklet "Teaching Johnny to Swim", a manual for parents which may be obtained from the Red Cross for 20¢, or the more complete "Swimming and Diving", also available at the Red Cross. Later in the summer you will be invited to observe your child's swimming class to see his progress.

Requirements For

TOWN and COUNTRY SWIMMING CERTIFICATES:

TADPOLE:

1. Hold breath under water for 10 seconds.
2. Open eyes under water.
3. Twenty rhythmic breaths.
4. Continuous kick one minute on front and back.
5. Prone glide for 10 feet and/or 15 seconds duration.
6. Back glide for 5 feet and/or 10 seconds duration.
7. Kick glide on front for 15 feet and/or 20 seconds.
8. Kick glide on back for 15 feet and/or 20 seconds.
9. Elementary arm stroke with kick on front and back.

FROG:

10. Back glide with finning or sculling
11. Elementary front crawl with breathing 30 feet.
12. Elementary back crawl 30 feet.
13. Jump into deep water, level off, swim 30 yards, changing directions twice.
14. Elementary dive, swim 30 yards turning over on back to rest mid-way.

(THIS IS THE EQUIVALENT OF
THE RED CROSS BEGINNER'S SWIMMING COURSE TEST.)

MINNOW:

15. Bobbing with rhythmic breathing 24-36 times in 2 minutes.
16. Remain afloat within 2 minutes.
17. Elementary back stroke 25 yards.
18. Elementary front crawl 25 yards.
19. Dive from side of pool and swim 20 feet under water.
20. Demonstrate elementary rescues with pole and article of clothing.
21. Dive, swim 3 body lengths under water, stay afloat 30 seconds, then swim 20 yards.

(EQUIVALENT TO
RED CROSS ADVANCED BEGINNER'S COURSE.)

FISH:

22. Elementary back stroke 50 yards.
23. Crawl or side stroke 100 yards
24. Sculling with hands only backward for 10 yards.
25. Turns in a closed course.
26. Float one minute with minimum of movement.
27. Tread water 30 seconds.
28. In deep water, slip under water and swim two body lengths.
29. Running front dive.
30. Standing front dive.
31. Swim continuously for 5 minutes using any stroke or combination of strokes.

(EQUIVALENT TO
RED CROSS INTERMEDIATE SWIM TEST.)

ADVANCED COURSE:

32. Breast stroke 100 yards in good form.
33. Side stroke 100 yards in good form.
34. Crawl and back crawl in good form.
35. Kick 50 yards on back using inverted breast stroke kick or inverted scissors kick.
36. Turns in closed course on front, side, and back.
37. Surface dive to 3 feet and swim 3 body lengths.
38. Tread water 1 minute using legs alone.
39. Shallow plunge or racing dive in good form.
40. Running front dive off both feet from board in good form.
41. Swim continuously for 10 minutes using any or all strokes.

(EQUIVALENT TO
RED CROSS SWIMMER COURSE TEST.)

PARENTS WILL BE NOTIFIED OF TIME OF LESSON AND DATE OF VISITING DAY. CHILDREN ENROLLED FOR LESSONS ONLY ARE TO ARRIVE IN THEIR SUIT WITH A TOWEL.



General Policies

FINANCIAL:

Registration fees are refunded only in the event the school does not have space available or if testing grade is not satisfactory. Registration fees cover workbooks, Weekly Readers, supplementary materials and testing.

Tuition for students enrolled in the educational program only or The Pre-Teen Canteen is due in advance on the first of each month. Tuition for those students attending all day may be paid on each Monday in advance. Children enrolled in the Summer Camp program, not continuing enrollment must pay half of the tuition by the first day of camp and the remainder mid-way thru the session.

All fees are due in advance and are not refundable. There is an additional \$5.00 late charge for the first day payment is not received after the due date. An additional \$1.00 for each day thereafter until payment is current will be charged.

1/2 Fall registration and insurance fees are due with application by March 15, remainder is due by July 15. 1/2 Summer arts and crafts fees due with summer application by March 15. Remainder due by April 5.

REFUNDS ARE NOT GIVEN FOR ANY REASON

One month's notice in writing is required before **WITHDRAWING** any child, or parent will be charged one month's tuition. Any charge for tuition or lack of giving withdrawal notice not paid when due will be turned over for collection. Parents will be charged tuition plus collection charges or court cost and attorney's fees.

CHILDREN MUST BE IN ONE OF THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR TWO WEEKS REDUCTION ONCE A YEAR. CHILDREN MUST BE ABSENT IN ORDER TO QUALIFY.

Children enrolled in the Pre-School thru Fourth Grade, in the all day program. Children must be enrolled four months prior to reduction. Kindergarten thru Fourth Grade students are given reductions based on the afternoon charge only.

Children enrolled in the Preparatory Dept., Pre-Teen Canteen, Educational Program only, Swim Instruction, and Campers not continuing enrollment are not allowed reductions.

ADMISSION:

Each student must have the following completed and submitted to the school office before admission is confirmed: testing, medical form, application, contract and correct fees paid in full.

HEALTH:

Children becoming ill or having a contagious disease must be called for immediately. Parents must make other arrangements until School office feels that the child may return.

Physician must furnish the School office, in September, on our form, with a list of child's inoculations and a statement that he/she is in good health, free of contagious disease.

The school staff will be allowed to administer medicines, with the parent's consent. Please send instructions clearly written with the medicine. In the event it is felt that a student needs immediate medical attention, and parents cannot be reached, the child's physician will be called.

TRANSPORTATION:

We are equipped with school buses which are used to transport children in most areas of the Southwest. The fee is \$20.00 per month and is to be included in the monthly tuition payment. Transportation is available to those children only attending educational programs and Public Schools.

(Transportation to and from public school is included in the monthly tuition.) As much advance notice as possible is necessary when a child is not to be picked up or taken home on the buses.

PARTIES:

Children's birthdays are observed in the classrooms for parents wishing to send favors such as cookies or cup cakes. Arrangements should be made with the teacher for birthdays and special occasions.

LUNCHESES:

All children 1½ yrs. of age thru Kindergarten, enrolled in the all day program are given a hot lunch. All other students are to bring their lunch. A menu is posted in each kitchen and is available in the office for any parent who desires a copy.

DISMISSAL:

Children are not released to any one other than parents without personal authorization from one of the student's parents.

Parents are asked to call their child's name clearly and twice at the intercom speaker, located at the entrance of the drive, when picking up their children.

CLOTHING:

The school is not responsible for lost clothing. It is suggested that each item is clearly marked for identification. Please check in the "Lost and Found" for misplaced articles.

Children are not to bring toys, etc., from home. The only exception to this would be when specified by the teacher for "Show & Tell."

SWIMMING:

Parents are not allowed at pools as it disrupts instructions. Parents will be notified of times to come to observe progress. Children are allowed two make-ups for lessons missed. These must be made up in session enrolled for.