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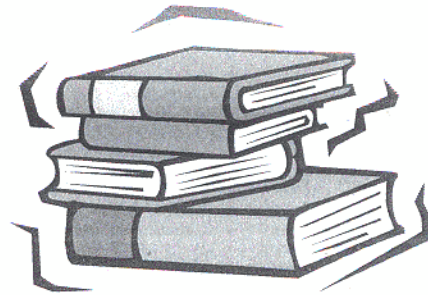
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CAROL'S COMMENTS



Did you know that April is Math Awareness Month? Math is our most popular subject taught here at Lexington Learning Center and part of the reason for this is that the value of a strong mathematical knowledge base is seen as a must have in our modern world.

Students today are encountering algebraic equations in the primary grades. Fractions are often introduced in kindergarten. Most students today take two years of algebra, trigonometry, pre-calculus, calculus and math electives such as accounting and statistics in high school.

School systems have introduced many new curriculum models the past years in an effort to find programs and practices that will work for students of all ability levels and learning styles.

In our fast paced, computer enhanced business world, a strong mathematical background is both needed and valued. If math is or was a challenge for you, or if you have an interest in enhancing your mathematical skills, contact us this April!

TUTORING TIPS

In this issue, I want to discuss my views on reading the newspaper and following the news as a method of learning. I am concerned about the number of young people who do not read newspapers or news magazines. Many rely on bits of information gleaned from snippets posted on computer sites. Others catch news on occasion on the TV or radio. Many do not attempt to keep up with local, national, or international news at all.

Reading newspapers and news magazines as well as watching in depth news reporting on TV and listening to news programs on the radio is even more important in the 21st century than it was for our parents and grandparents. What happens in what were once thought of as remote corners of the world affects us politically and economically on a daily basis. Newspapers have something for everyone: news, sports, weather, business, want ads, editorials and comics!

Young people should know who the leaders of the world are as well as local leaders. They should feel that they can be involved and that their ideas and input will be respected.

An involved populace is the best way to make democracy work for us and for people the world over. Reading and watching a variety of opinions and ideas leads to solid understandings of issues and I believe will serve all of us well.

Call or stop in to discuss your individual tutoring needs. We welcome students of all ages and abilities. We will be open all summer.

CALENDAR

APRIL

- 3 MCAS Prep Classes begin
- 18 CLOSED Patriot's Day
- 18-22 Public School vacation week
Open by appointment only
- 18 SAT Math Class Sudbury
6-8 PM
- 19 SAT Essay Class Sudbury
5-7:30 PM
- 20 SAT English Class Sudbury
5-7:30 PM
- 20 Arts and Crafts Class
Lexington
- 22 SAT Overview Class
Sudbury 10AM-1PM
- 24 Passover

MAY

- 4 Guidance, SPED event
Lexington
- 8 Mother's Day
- 10 College Search presentation
Sudbury 7-8:30 PM
- 28 Discovery Day Lexington

JUNE

- 6-16 Exam Cram classes
- 11 Tutor Appreciation Event
Lexington
- 27 Summer Hours begin
M-F 9-12 & M-TH 3-8



TUTOR PROFILE

Judy Leary took over the position as the Manager of Lexington Learning Center in Sudbury this past January. Judy holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Retail Marketing from the University of Massachusetts in Amherst and has taken graduate level classes in Marketing and Human Resource Management from Harvard University's Extension Program. In addition to working part time at the Sudbury LLC, Judy is the President of Bearak Reports In Framingham, a successful background screening and human resource consulting company.

Having lived in Metro West area most of her life she is intimately familiar with the local public school systems and the local private institutions. Judy has been actively involved in the Framingham Public School system, serving as PTO President, Secretary on the Board of the Framingham Education Foundation, and has participated on numerous committees including the Framingham Redistricting Committee and the Middle School Task Force. Her two teenage daughters presently attend Framingham High School.

When Judy is not working she loves to travel, play tennis, and is an active volunteer for the Brain Tumor Society in Watertown. Judy personally extends an invitation for you to stop by the Lexington Learning Center in Sudbury and learn how we can partner with you and your child to assist in their academic success!

TUTOR PROFILE

Diane Maloy has been an academic tutor at the Lexington Learning Center for over four years. She graduated from Fitchburg State College in 1989 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Elementary Education. She is currently taking graduate level courses at Salem State College. She has nine years of teaching experience at the elementary level.

Diane tutors elementary students in math, reading, writing, and English. She maintains good relationships with her students so that each session is both informative and enjoyable.

Diane is currently a stay at home mom during the day with two small children ages 5 and 2 1/2. She plans to teach full time again when both of her children are in school.

QUOTES OF NOTE

"Education is the ability to listen to almost anything without losing your temper or your self-confidence."

Robert Frost

"Technology is just a tool. In terms of getting kids working together and motivating them, the teacher is the most important."

Bill Gates

"Without education, you are not going anywhere in this world."

Malcolm X

"Education is what you get when you read the fine print. Experience is what you get when you don't."

Pete Seeger

