



TLC Learning Center

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TLC LEARNING CENTER, FORMERLY TINY TIM LEARNING CENTER, ANNOUNCES NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Open House on January 14 Welcomes Eldred and New Infant and Toddler Program



Longmont, CO, January 2, 2014: TLC Learning Center, formerly Tiny Tim Learning Center, is pleased to announce Matt Eldred as its new executive director. Eldred brings more than 20 years of nonprofit experience to TLC, most recently heading The Acorn School for Early Childhood Development and Wilderness Early Learning Center, which provide early care and education programs and wrap around services for children and families in Boulder County. Eldred began his new position at TLC in November.

TLC Learning Center will host an open house on January 14, 2014 from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. to welcome Eldred, provide tours of the new infant and toddler classrooms, and allow prospective parents to meet teachers and staff. A total of 16 toddlers and 10 infants will be served in the new classrooms beginning February 3, 2014. TLC is currently accepting applications and providing weekly tours.

“On behalf of the Board of Directors of TLC Learning Center, I am delighted to welcome Matt Eldred as the new executive director,” said Board Chair Lori Miner. “His wealth of experience and demonstrated leadership in serving young children and families in Boulder County will help TLC move forward in preparing children for success and expanding our mission to meet changing community needs.”

As executive director, Eldred oversees an organization that serves hundreds of children in Boulder County with high-quality early care and education and pediatric therapeutic programs. Eldred joins the 58-year-old organization at a time when many new changes will benefit from his leadership. TLC recently announced a new name and expansion of its program to include infant and toddler care and early learning.

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“It’s an honor to join TLC at a time when so much opportunity and excitement is at hand,” Eldred said. “The level of early learning and the experience of the TLC staff are of the highest standards, and I am excited to bring my experience with infants and toddlers and the Boulder County early learning community to TLC and Longmont.”

Before joining TLC, Eldred served for nine years as the Executive Director of The Acorn School for Early Childhood Development, where he successfully stabilized the organization and expanded it to become the lead partner in Wilderness Early Learning Center, a public, private and civic partnership bringing early childhood services together in one building. Head Start, pediatric therapy, play therapy, and kids yoga are some of the services offered at Wilderness Early Learning, a project Boulder County, the City of Boulder and The Community Foundation Serving Boulder County helped fund.

Eldred earned a Bachelor of Arts in both Special Education and Physical Education and a Master of Arts in Educational Leadership. He is a past president of the Boulder County Association for the Education of Young Children (BCAEYC), a former Board Director for the OUR Center in Longmont, and a member of Leadership Longmont, a program of the Longmont Area Chamber of Commerce.

ABOUT TLC LEARNING CENTER

Founded in 1956, TLC Learning Center, formerly Tiny Tim Learning Center, continues its mission to serve all children, ages birth to five, provide nurturing care and therapeutic services, and prepare children for success in kindergarten and beyond.

Since 1990, the early learning center has offered an inclusive education model, serving children with and without special needs. This inclusive philosophy results in assisting all children to reach their highest potential through individualized support and encouragement. Research shows the benefits of inclusive classrooms reach beyond academics to the whole child. Children demonstrate increased self-esteem, show greater development in critical thinking, acquire new skills and knowledge independently, and develop better communication and social skills.

In 1997, TLC expanded to include pediatric therapeutic services for children from birth to 12 years. Through this program, individualized and/or small group occupational, physical and speech language therapies are provided, either in the home, at the center or in one of the preschool classrooms.

2013 brought a new name and new programs to the early learning center. TLC is focused on expanding its mission to meet changing community needs, now offering infant and toddler care and early learning.

TLC Learning Center is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization located in Longmont, Colorado. To learn more, please visit www.LearningWithTLC.org, [join them on Facebook](#), or contact Matt Eldred, Executive Director, meldred@LearningWithTLC.org.

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