



Chula Vista AIM Program
Achieve-Inspire-Motivate
1st Grade Informational Packet
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Welcome families! My name is Raina Ray, and I will be your student's 1st grade AIM teacher here at The Learning Choice Academy, Chula Vista. I am very excited and honored to be your child's AIM Teacher this school year. We are going to have a wonderful year working together to provide the best education possible to your child. Information contained in this packet is very important to start us on our journey for a successful year. Please read through it carefully and refer to it throughout the year. Please feel free to ask me any question that you might have!

AIM class days are Wednesday and Friday from 8:30 AM-2:30 PM.

Please pack a healthy snack for mid-morning and a healthy lunch (no soda, sweets, or candy please). Also, please pack a large water bottle for your child.

What supplies will your child need?

As a school, we provide the entire curriculum you will use at home with your child. I will also provide anything your student needs for onsite class days (e.g. pencils, paper, glue, crayons, markers, and scissors). Our classroom tends to get chilly when the AC is running, so I recommend having your child bring a sweater just in case it is needed.



What is a Meeting Week?

A meeting week is when you instruct from home **all 5 days**. There are no on-site AIM classes. "No AIM classes" noted on the school calendar refers to a Meeting Week. During this week, we will meet for our pre-scheduled monthly conference. Ample at-home assignments will be given for the entire week. You will also have to teach science at home this week. Mandatory Meetings are scheduled in advance and can be up to one hour long.

Meeting Weeks

Learning Period 1 October 3rd-7th

Learning Period 2 November 14th-18th

Learning Period 3 January 17th-20th

Learning Period 4 February 27th-March 3rd

Learning Period 5 April 24th-28th

Learning Period 6 We will have end of the year meetings in June.

What will we need to bring to our meetings?

- Language arts practice books
- Math practice books
- Social studies work
- Learning log
- Physical Education log

It is essential that your student be able to speak knowledgeably about his or her work. I will ask clarifying questions. If your student is unable to knowledgeably discuss his or her work, we will review the grade. ALL WORK, turned in, must be reviewed by you prior to our meeting.

Meeting Attendance

During meeting weeks, I will meet with each of my families (plus students on my roster that are not in AIM). For this reason, it is imperative that you arrive promptly for your meeting. I have reserved this time just for you, so please be respectful of each family's time slot. Arriving more than 5 minutes late will result in a shorter appointment time. Arriving more than 20 minutes late will result in rescheduling the appointment. Thank you in advance for your time and cooperation regarding meetings. ***Please read the following information from the Parent/Student Handbook regarding inadequate attendance of required meetings.***

Inadequate Attendance of Required Meetings:

You must keep monthly appointments, whether they are with the Educational Partner or are related to IEP/assessment meetings in the special education program. TLC Educational Partners dedicate time and effort to prepare for student meetings and it is asked that families call as soon as possible when they know they will be unable to make a meeting.

Of course it is understood that illness or unexpected problems occur on an occasional basis, which may cause a family to miss an appointment. In this situation, a follow-up appointment should be made as soon as possible after an absence. If your student misses a second appointment, he or she will be placed on probation and an advisory letter will be mailed with a final make-up appointment. If the student fails to attend the third appointment, the student will be withdrawn from The Learning Choice Academy. If a student misses three consecutive appointments, he or she may also be considered truant. This is why it is so important to keep in touch with the Educational Partner. If a student enrolls in another school without providing formal notification, the student may unknowingly be reported as truant.

**Processing of student orders will be withheld for students on probation. More information about probation can be found on page 20 of the Parent/Student handbook.*

*If a student misses two consecutive meetings, then makes it to the third meeting, then misses another two consecutive meetings later in the semester, they can still be dropped for lack of attendance. **It is essential that students attend their scheduled meetings.***

Assignments

Assignments for the entire Learning Period (LP) will be given prior to the start of each LP in the form of a pacing guide. These pacing guides will show you what I will be covering in on-site AIM classes and what you should be covering at home with your student. You will only be given pacing guides for math and language arts.

Turning in Work

At our LP meeting, you will bring in all work your student has completed for math, language arts, and social studies for me to review. You will also turn in signed learning and PE logs. All work must be **complete with a name and a date in student's handwriting**. There also **must be a check, star or smiley face to show that you have reviewed their work**. I will also be conducting workbook checks periodically throughout the school year to make sure your student has done adequate amount of work.

Learning Logs

*******It is essential to fill in logs as you go.**

1) Completed PE (physical education) Log

- Signed by parent and child (child must sign first and last name)
- Dated (please date with the last date of the learning period)
 - For example, Learning Period 1 is from 8/29/16 to 10/7/16 so you would date the PE log with 10/7/16
- Write the number of minutes for each physical activity (Jump Rope 22 minutes)

2) Completed Learning Log

- Signed by parent and child (child must sign first and last name)
- Dated (please date with the last date of the learning period)
 - For example, Learning Period 1 is from 8/29/16 to 10/7/16 so you would date the log with 10/7/16

How do you log assignments?

- Please always write on your logs in pencil.
- Please adhere to the follow system to provide consistency among logs. Incomplete logs will be returned and receive a late grade. Logs will then need to be corrected and resubmitted for grading.
- Please follow this schedule and write down **only one** assignment your child completed in each subject area on that particular day.

Schedule for Learning Logs

- **Monday**-Language Arts: _____(Write specific name of assignment and page number if appropriate)
- **Tuesday**- Social Studies: _____ (Write specific title of assignment completed and page number if appropriate)
- **Wednesday**- Science (**I will update classroom website with the assignment you are to record**)
- Thursday- Math: _____(Please write the title of the lesson and page number- for example: Math: Making Number Bonds, pages 21-24)
- **Friday**- (**I will update classroom website with the assignment you are to record**)

What will happen if I do not turn in my child's assignments correctly or on time?

Turning work and learning logs in on time and complete at our meetings will be part of your child's grade this year. If work is not correctly turned in on time, your child's grade will reflect this.

1st Grade AIM

8:30-9:00	Morning Routines/Math warm-up
9:00-10:00	Math
10:00-10:15	Snack Break
10:15-12:15	Language Arts
12:15-1:00	Lunch and Recess
1:00- 1:20	Read Aloud/Silent Reading
1:20-2:20	Science
2:20-2:30	Review and Clean Up

State ***Minimum*** Requirement for Learning

*Instructional Minutes

1st grade:

4 Hours and 40 Minutes a day

*Physical Education

20 minutes a day

100 minutes a week

Curriculum being used both in class and at home:

Harcourt Excursions

Reading A-Z (username: acv password: termx847)

Math in Focus

www.IXL.com

National Geographic

Science A-Z

Curriculum only being taught at home:

Social Studies- There are several options. You choose and teach SS at home.

Wordly Wise- vocabulary program (optional)

Handwriting Without Tears- handwriting program (optional)