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# Agape Academy

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## Calendar Update

- 9/30 Last Day for Shorts Museum of Discovery
- 10/1 Tuition & AC Payments Due
- 10/14 P/T Conferences
- 10/31 Hallo Word
- 11/3 & 4 Teacher In-Service No School
- 11/22 Thanksgiving Program @ 2:00
- 11/23 Dismissal @3:30 No Aftercare
- 11/24 Thanksgiving Day
- 11/25 Thanksgiving Holiday
- 12/15 Christmas Parties 1:30—3:00
- 12/16 Teacher In-Service



## PUMPKIN PATCH FIELD TRIP

Each year during the month of October, Agape Academy students, teachers and parents anxiously await their visit to the local pumpkin patch where students have the opportunity to explore nature, pick a pumpkin right out of the patch and see live farm animals. This year is no different. Field trips for several of the classrooms have been scheduled.

Each pumpkin tour includes:

- A hayride around the farm
- Farm Zoo
- Pig races
- A trip to the pumpkin patch (each child will receive a small pumpkin to take home)
- Snack and drink

### Field Trip Schedule:

Oct 6	K4
Oct 13	K3
Oct 20	K5 & 1st grade
Oct 25	2nd & 3rd

Each student will receive a field trip permission form with the date and time of their trip. Please sign and return to the Academy office.

A picnic lunch will be held on the grounds at the farm, so students must bring a sack lunch and drink. Students must wear an Agape Academy T-shirt with jeans/slacks. (A jacket or sweater may be needed in case of cooler temperatures) Parents and grandparents are encouraged to join the fun by signing up in the Academy office.

## Box Tops For Education

Agape Academy is collecting **Box Tops** as a Fund Raiser for the 2011-12 school year.

Please place your box tops in the "BOX TOP" container in the Academy office or send to school with your child.

We greatly appreciate your help!

Thank You!

## Christian Marriage: Do you want one?

Do you want to experience the joy of a Christian marriage? Would you like to build a relationship with your spouse that will last a life-time? If you answered "yes" to either of those questions, you are the perfect candidate for Agape College's Christian Marriage mini-course. Whether you are single (looking to be married), a newlywed, or have 20 years of marriage experience, this course has something for you.

The course is palatably priced at \$60 per person or \$75 per couple (materials are only \$10 per couple) and the course lasts just five weeks.



The topic titles include:

1. Designed to be different
2. Where have all the flowers gone?
3. Striking the perfect match
4. Looking for love in two special faces
5. Don't rock the juke box
6. Sex begins in the kitchen
7. Enjoying the journey.

This course will be held on Tuesday nights from 6:30 to 8:30 beginning November 1 and ending November 29. Call the Agape College admissions office at (501) 223-2793 to sign up today.

"Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and they shall become one flesh."  
GENESIS 2:24 NKJV

Ph:

Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. He who does not love does not know God, for God is love. 1 John 4:7-8 NKJV

# PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21  
9:00 AM—4:00 P.M.**

## STUDENT SAFETY:

For the safety and security of all students, early check-out is only available through the Academy office.

Parents arriving to check their child out during the scheduled lunch or PE class must sign the child out through the Academy office before continuing to the AFLC lunch-room.



## PARENT—TEACHER CONFERENCES

Parent involvement has a critical effect on a child's learning, attitude about school, and aspirations. The more parents understand and support the teacher, the more they help their children. As you make plans to attend Agape Academy's Parent Teacher conference, here are some tips that can make for a smooth, informative conference.

- Ask your child if there is anything they would like for you to discuss with the teacher.
- Jot down all your questions.
- Arrive promptly
- Be open-minded to suggestions.
- Take notes.
- Talk about your child's concerns.
- Ask for suggestions from the teacher.



If you did not receive your conference appointment time, or you need to make a change, please contact the Academy office @ 225-0068.



## LIVELY SCIENCE

Discover the Museum's live animal collection through Lively Science. Each month for five months

(September, November, January, February, April), a Museum educator will bring a live animal from the Museum's animal collection to visit the classrooms at Agape Academy. Students will learn about animal characteristics, habits and habitats.

### Class Schedule

Russell, Rea & Meachum @ 9:00  
Sain, Thompson @ 9:30  
Bicker, Kelemen & Rankin @ 10:00  
Love, Irons & Rodgers @ 10:30

Parents are welcome to attend

**Monday, October 31  
6pm-8pm**

Fun for the whole family! We'll have big bouncy inflatable's, a fun dunking booth, a delicious bake walk, face painting, a fun and challenging obstacle course - and lots of candy!

**Admission is free**, so bring a friend and enjoy a great night of fun @ Agape Family Life Center.

## Agape Academy Welcomes Sara Bicker K-5



My name is Sara Bicker. I believe it was in third grade when I informed my parents that I was going to be a teacher. I'm sure this came as no surprise to them, seeing as how I had already taught countless stuffed animals how to read. I was very blessed by knowing with such certainty that that's what I wanted to do. I really could never imagine myself doing anything else. I earned my teaching degree from Arkansas Tech University in the Fall of 2005. After graduating, I taught in the Little Rock School District at Terry Elementary for five years. I have taught grades Pre-K through second grade. I learned so much from the experience and was blessed with teaching so many wonderful children. I treasure the relationships I formed in my years at Terry. God put Agape Academy on my heart years ago. I had a younger cousin go through the Academy and I thought, if I ever have children of my own, I would like them to go there and receive a Christian education. It was last school year that I felt God prompting me to come and then He faithfully opened the door. His timing is perfect. I am so thrilled to be here! It is a blessing to me every single day. I am constantly blown away by the way that God has orchestrated these events in my life and how He confirms over and over again that He has me exactly where He wants me. I am so grateful for all the wonderful people He has brought into my life through this ministry.