



The Music Settlement
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CENTER FOR early childhood

TMS BLAST

April



Science education has evolved far beyond memorizing facts or a cookie-cutter experiments. Preparing the next generation of thinkers and doers hinges on equipping them with transferable skills like asking essential questions, analyzing data, challenging assumptions, and reasoning analytically. It all starts with nurturing their curiosity! Strategies to confidently embrace new approaches to teaching and learning:

- Nurture a culture of learning anchored in child-driven inquiry
- Build measurable, transferable scientific-thinking skills and practices- see mistakes as learning!
- Expand expectations to include complex science and engineering practices, along with problem-solving



Social Emotional Learning, SEL, and Science Technology Engineering and Math, STEM, work together to help children develop a mindset needed to navigate life. STEM provides children opportunities to develop foundational SEL traits including empathy, perseverance and collaboration. Here's a link to help us understand the relationship between SEL & STEM and some great books with activities to get some hands-on learning to connect SEL & STEM so our little ones can grow up to help make our world a better place.

<https://carlyandadam.com/thecarlyandadam/stem-and-sel-important-connections-for-student-development>



Literacy

Science is for every age. At TMS we like to expose our students to STEM learning very early. This month the book recommendation is CeCe Loves Science by Kimberly Derting and Shelli R. Johannes. In this picture book, Cece and her friend Isaac use a scientific approach to answer one question related to dogs: Do dogs eat vegetables?

Here is a poem for the letter "L"

Little Leopards love to Leap around
They Like to Leap on Logs
For words that start with L
The people say, "That's swell"
Words like Little Leopards Leaping onto
Logs
L L L L L L L



Upcoming Events

**EC Conference Day:
Friday, April 28- NO
School!**

STEM Saturdays: 10am-12noon
April 15 in Ohio City- Building
and Construction
May 13 in University Circle-
Archeology

Reminder to register for Summer Camps!

<https://www.themusicsettlement.org/camps/overview>

Parenting 101

Many times as parents we are met with the idea that our children aren't who we wish them to be. It's one of the hardest realities to realize that our children have a personality of their own. They have their own interests. They may know every car model or every dinosaur much to our chagrin. This is the time to practice parenting the child you have. It sounds so simple but it is hard to do sometimes. Meeting them where they are in their development and fanning interest for what they are interested in will give them power over their development. They learn that they are interesting and are often proud to share their knowledge with others. All very important skills to young children's growth. So when you are in that moment of "I just can't" remember to parent the child you have, not the one you wish you had.

