



Dear Families,  
We are totally ready for an amazing year!  
Enclosed you will find:

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TO  
SCHOOL

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Don't forget the [FIELD TRIP](#) registrations are open!  
We have so many fun ones planned this year!

We also have several new clubs planned:

- [RC Car Club](#)
- [Girls on the Run/Heart and Sole](#)
- [Let Me Run](#)
- [Cross Country Team](#)
- [After school Martial Arts Program](#)
- [TLH Garden Club](#)

[We are still looking for another Let Me Run Boys Coach!](#)  
[\(Season starts Oct 5\)](#)

- If you need early drop-off at either location, please email [admin@thelearninghabitat.com](mailto:admin@thelearninghabitat.com) to see your options.

One final ask. [TLH Enrichment Foundation](#) can always use financial assistance to help run programs and provide scholarships for our families. Would you consider a donation, and share it with friends? Most of what we offer beyond the classroom is because of donations. Sponsorship information is available [here](#). (TLH Enrichment Foundation is a 501(c)(3) organization, so donations are tax-deductible.)

See you this week!

*The Learning Habitat Team*



**Doors open at 8:55 am.**

**Please feel welcome to  
walk your child to class  
until they are able to do  
it themselves!**

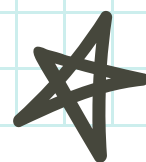
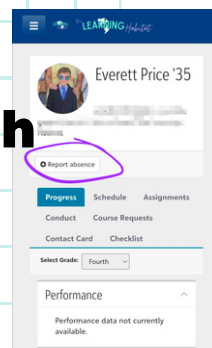


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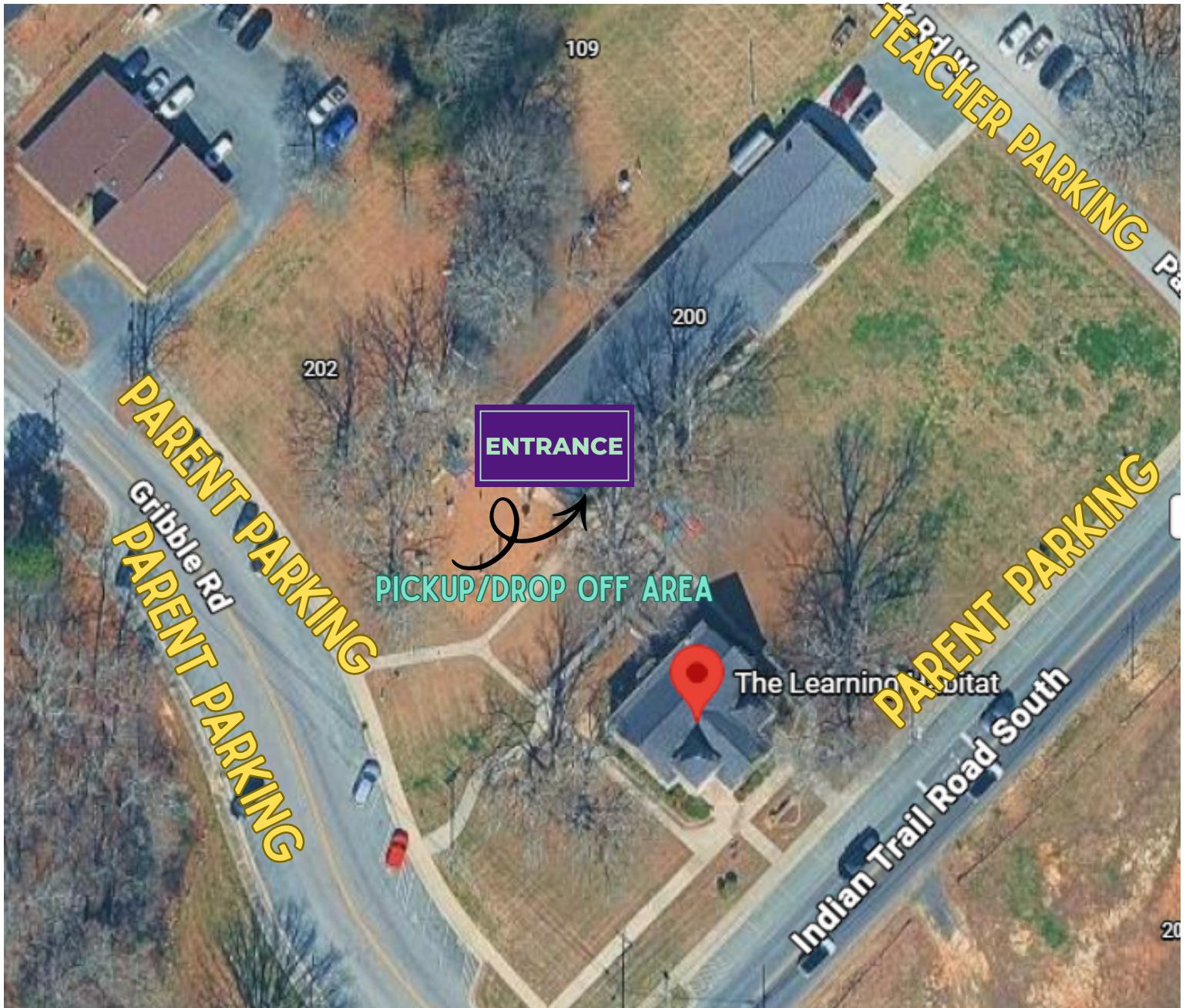
## CHECKLIST

♥ SCHOOL STARTS MONDAY!

- **Microwaves are limited. Please pack accordingly.**
- **Utensils and plates/bowls are NOT provided.**
- **Please send a water bottle and snacks!**
- **Pack extra clothes/shoes for rainy days or accidents. WE GO OUTSIDE IN THE RAIN.**
- **Drop off all medications with instructions to Trista (Monroe) or Jereline (Indian Trail).**
- **If your child did not receive their shirt, please let Trista or Jereline know via email.**
- **Please report absences via Blackbaud through the NEW "Report Absence" function. (see image)**
- **PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER SEES YOU AT PICK-UP BEFORE LEAVING (BELOW 8TH GRADE).**



# INDIAN TRAIL DROP-OFF AND PICK-UP PROCEDURES



**Please park on Gribble Rd or Indian Trail Road in front of the school and walk your child to the Playground entrance.**

**Same for pick-up.**

**PLEASE WATCH FOR CHILDREN  
WHEN ARRIVING AND LEAVING.**

# MONROE DROP-OFF AND PICK-UP PROCEDURES



**Please park on the right side of the building and walk your child to the entrance. Same for pick-up.**  
**Children in grades 6-12 may walk themselves carefully.**  
**PLEASE WATCH FOR CHILDREN WHEN ARRIVING AND LEAVING.**

# 2026/2027



## Calendar

| August 2026 |    |    |    |    |    |    | September 2026 |    |    |    |    |    |    | October 2026 |    |    |    |    |    |    | November 2026 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| December 2026 |    |    |    |    |    |    | January 2027 |    |    |    |    |    |    | February 2027 |    |    |    |    |    |    | March 2027 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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First Day of Classes  
Last Day of Classes  
End of Quarter

No School  
Mandatory Testing Week



# REQUIRED SUPPLY LIST



☐ BINDERS AND FOLDERS

☐ PENCILS

☐ MARKERS, COLORED PENCILS

☐ GLUE STICKS (6-12 PACK)

☐ NOTEBOOK PAPER (1 PACK)

☐ ERASERS (1 PACK)

☐ SCISSORS (2-3 PAIRS FOR CHILDREN)

☐ PAPER TOWELS (3+ ROLLS)

☐ TISSUES (3+ BOXES)

☐ CLEANING WIPES (2+ CANISTER)

☐ PRINTER PAPER AND/OR COLORED PAPER (1 REAM)

☐ BAND-AIDS (1 BOX)

☐ MARKERS/ COLORED PENCILS

☐ HAND SOAP

☐ OPTIONAL BUT NEEDED: CARD STOCK

☐ OPTIONAL BUT NEEDED: ICE PACKS

☐ OPTIONAL BUT NEEDED: EXPO MARKERS

☐ OPTIONAL BUT NEEDED: PENCIL SHARPENERS

☐ OPTIONAL BUT NEEDED: LIQUID GLUE

## FOR YOUR CHILD'S USE

*Teachers may have  
specific requests for  
their classes also!*

## FOR COMMUNITY USE

*Thank you so much!*

Prefer to donate  
funds?



# TLH PARENT PACK

**Who are we?** The Parent Pack is The Learning Habitat's parent volunteer group.

**What do we do?** We help coordinate and facilitate fun school-wide events like the Halloween Hullababloo, the Winter Workshop, The Valentine's Day dance, Teacher Appreciation week and the end of the year party.

**Who can join?** You! We need parents to volunteer their time, energy, and/or money. Choose the form of volunteering that works best for you. Together, we can offer our learners fun extra-curricular events!

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***Fill out the info form  
here or scan the QR  
code***





## **GIRLS ON THE RUN OF UNION COUNTY**

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**REGISTRATION IS OPEN  
NOW! CLICK HERE TO  
REGISTER!**

**The Learning Habitat**

**Season starts 9/14 and ends with**

**Gingersnap 5k on 11/21**

**Practice days Mondays and Wednesdays from  
3:15-4:45pm**

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME ...OPEN TO ALL GIRLS  
Grades 3-8 , NOT JUST TLH STUDENTS, so INVITE  
YOUR FRIENDS!!!**

**JOIN <sup>OUR</sup>  
Team**



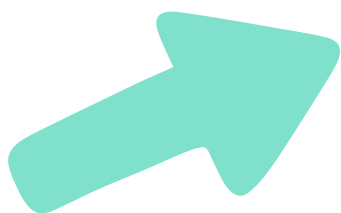
LET'S GO!

# MIDDLE/HIGH CROSS COUNTRY TEAM!

*Meeting at Monroe, running  
weekly. Let by TLH Parents,  
Monika and David Teixeira.  
New and experienced runners  
welcome.*



**Click here to  
complete the  
interest form.**



Click here to  
help coach!

*Click Here*



# WHAT IS LET ME RUN? Grades 3-5

## OUR MISSION

Let Me Run is a nonprofit wellness program that inspires boys to be themselves, be active, and belong. With a comprehensive curriculum that applies the power of running, we encourage boys to develop their psychological, emotional, and social health, in addition to their physical health.

Twice a week for seven weeks, two trained volunteer coaches lead an elementary or middle school team through practice. Designed to amplify confidence, self-expression, and respect for others, each practice includes a lesson from the Let Me Run curriculum. Each fall and spring season culminates in a 5k race festival.

## OUR IMPACT

An independent study showed Let Me Run....

- ✓ **INCREASES** healthy masculinity in boys
- ✓ **IMPROVES** social competence in boys
- ✓ **INCREASES** physical activity of boys
- ✓ **REDUCES** boys' screen time on school days

**BOYS REGISTRATION  
COMING SOON!**

## OUR PRACTICES



### UNITY LAP

Practice opens with a slow lap that everyone runs together as a team.



### POST-RUN STRETCHES

A group stretch establishes positive running habits and avoids injury.



### DYNAMIC STRETCHES

A series of dynamic stretches assist in warming up the body.



### LESSON & ACTIVITY

Discussion, role-playing, games, and activities cover age-appropriate topics.



### RUN

Times and lengths of the runs vary each practice, culminating in an end-of-season 5k.



### POSITIVE PEER CARDS

Boys write uplifting messages about themselves, community members, and others.



### STRENGTH & AGILITY

Starting in 4th grade, boys complete push ups and strength and agility exercises.



### CLOSING HUDDLE

The team huddles up and yells the mantra: "Let me be me! Let me reach out! Let me run!"



# RC CAR CLUB

- ***Meets Every Other Wednesday at Monroe Starting September 16, 2027***
- ***3:15-4:40pm***
- ***Grades 4-8 Welcome***
- ***Grades 8+ Volunteering Opportunities***
- ***Cost per year: \$150 includes cars to take home.***
- ***Registration opens September 1.***
- ***Email [Geiger@thelearninghabitat.com](mailto:Geiger@thelearninghabitat.com) for more info!***





# MOVEMENT

FAMILY MARTIAL ARTS

## AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

If you're looking for a way to set your child up for success, learn valuable life lessons and engage in a healthy active lifestyle, then you've come to the right place!

At Movement Family Martial Arts we strive to give students all across Indian Trail the chance to enjoy a fun, safe and supportive environment.

Our afterschool program offers dedicated homework assistance, structured group games and activities, anti-bullying lessons, Taekwondo classes and more!

Homework Help

Taekwondo

Study Groups

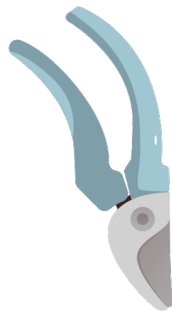


**REGISTER HERE**



- 3pm-6:30pm for K-12 students, Monday - Friday
- **PICK UP SERVICE AT INDIAN TRAIL AND MONROE AT 3PM**
- Cost is is \$499 monthly full time (4-5 days a week)
- \$299 monthly part time (1-3 days a week)

Movement Family Martial Arts  
Master Matt Majesky  
598 Indian Trail Rd S, Indian Trail, North Carolina 28079  
(704) 839-0126  
movementfma@gmail.com



**Gardening is one of the most effective ways to blend hands-on science, essential life skills, and fun outdoor activity. Our 12-week program, tailored for 8–12 year olds, is designed to cultivate curiosity and confidence that lasts far beyond the fall season. Our vegetable garden currently includes: squash, okra, tomatoes, cucumbers, green beans, peas, and a pumpkin patch. We also have wildflowers, and will be preparing seedlings and things to plan for spring in the greenhouse.**

**10 spots available, 8-12 Years Old**

**Thursdays, starting Sept 17th, 3:30–4:45pm at Monroe**

**Instructors: Erin Waldo, Trista Brown, Nina Hopper**

**Included: club t-shirts, gardening tools, supplies for crafts/activities**

**Note: Club will not run on weeks when school is not in session**

**REGISTER HERE**



# SPONSORSHIP LEVELS



## Friend of the Foundation



- Personalized thank-you note
- Inclusion in the Donor listing in the Annual Impact Report

up to \$249

## Advocate for Education



- All Friend benefits, plus:
- Personalized updates and an impact report detailing how their donation is supporting general operations and programs.

\$250-\$499

## Sustaining Partner



- All Advocate benefits, plus:
- Anniversary acknowledgments.
- Invitations to special events or "insider" updates.

\$500-\$999

## Impact Investor



- All Sustaining Partner benefits, plus:
- A letter detailing the allocation of their gift and a more in-depth, dedicated annual impact statement.

\$1,000 +



# THANK YOU!

# How to Opt In to Text Notifications in Blackbaud K-12

## ParentStep-by-Step Guide

**What you will do:** Sign in to your school's Blackbaud Family Portal, open your notification settings, add your mobile number, and select the text alerts you want to receive.

**Important:** Blackbaud says the phone number entered in Notification Settings is a text-enabled device and is separate from phone numbers stored elsewhere in your profile.

### Step 1 — Sign in to your Blackbaud Family Portal

Use the Blackbaud login link provided by your school. Sign in with the email address and password associated with your Blackbaud ID. If you are unsure which email address to use, contact your school.

### Step 2 — Open your Settings

After you are signed in, look in the upper-right corner of the screen for your name or profile menu. Select your name, then choose Settings.

### Step 3 — Select Notifications

In Settings, select Notifications. This is where Blackbaud lets parents choose whether eligible notifications are delivered by email and/or text.

**1. Add your text-enabled phone number**

Select how you would like to receive notifications.

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|                                                                                     | Type                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Setup E-mail                                                                                                                                |

**Screenshot:** The Text Number area in Blackbaud's notification settings. Select the add option and enter the mobile number that should receive school text notifications.

## Step 4 — Add your mobile number

Under the Text section, add the mobile phone number you want Blackbaud to use for notifications. Make sure it is a number that can receive SMS/text messages. If your carrier is not listed, do a quick google search to see which towers your carrier uses. You will need to receive a confirmation code and enter it.

## Step 5 — Turn on the text notifications you want

Return to the notification list. Find the notification types you want and select the checkbox under the Text column. You can select individual notification types rather than turning on everything.

**2. Choose Text for the alerts you want**

| Type                        | Setup         | Text                                |
|-----------------------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|
| Messages                    |               | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Assignment Added            |               | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Assignment Changed          |               | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Announcement Posted         | Setup Options | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Game Added                  |               | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Game Changed                |               | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Game Reminder               | Setup Options | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Game Result Posted          |               | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Game Schedule Published     |               | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Practice Added              |               | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Practice Changed            |               | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Practice Reminder           | Setup Options | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Practice Schedule Published |               | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| News Posted                 | Setup Options | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Bulk E-mail                 |               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

**Screenshot:** The Text column is on the right side of the notification list. A checked box means that notification type is enabled for text delivery.