

SLO Classical Academy offers a unique partnership with parents to create a wonderfully rich and rewarding education ~ one that is brimming with life, creates a passion for learning, and provides children with the skills to think for themselves.

Although there are many excellent public and private schools here on the Central Coast, many parents desire to be more involved in their children's education, spawning a renewed interest in educational alternatives.

SLO Classical Academy emerged from a dream of offering a distinctive educational alternative that both brings students and parents together and satisfies the longing for a quality education.

For more information about SLO Classical Academy, we encourage you to visit our web site! It contains a wealth of information about the program and application process, and offers ample reading and audio resources, testimonials, special events details, and photos. Check us out!



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Partnering with parents to provide
a unique, stimulating education
for Central Coast families

“Education is not the filling of a bucket,
but the lighting of a fire.”

William Yeats

SLO Classical Academy: Combining Classroom Instruction by Credentialed Teachers & Home School Instruction by Parents

What is SLO Classical Academy?

San Luis Obispo Classical Academy offers a distinct, exceptional education in the Central Coast area. Our mission is to assist parents in their goal of developing thoughtful and exemplary young men and women who possess analytical thinking skills, solid character, and a passion for learning, all built upon a strong foundation of knowledge.

Students will learn from trained, credentialed teachers 2 days per week in 4 core subjects (math, language arts, history and science). They will study at home the other 3 days per week. Partnering in this manner provides parents with both structure and freedom to make learning rich, fun and successful.

What is Classical Education?

It is a time-tested educational approach dating back to ancient Rome which achieves academic excellence by laying a firm foundation of language and math, training students to think clearly and critically, and to eventually express themselves effectively through both verbal and written means. A classical education provides a rich, thorough education that spurs a love of learning, thus enriching children's lives now and preparing them uniquely for the future.

Learning the basics, reading great books, observing the world around us, history, and the integration of subjects will be emphasized. In addition, time for family, creative exploration, play, study of the fine arts and physical health will be encouraged.

What are distinguishing characteristics of SLO Classical Academy?

- A passion for inspiring in children the love of learning and equipping them to think for themselves.
- A unique partnership between parent and teachers in the education of children.
- Trained, qualified teachers who demonstrate an excitement for learning and creativity, working towards the highest achievement possible within family goals.
- Small classroom size of up to 12 per classroom.
- No daily homework for grammar school students and minimal homework for middle school students, allowing time for family life and extra curricular activities.
- A suggested supplemental curriculum list for studies at home in addition to the core subjects.
- A commitment to the whole development of children with a focus on character development.
- Additional special interest courses one day a week for all students and additional classical course offerings for middle school students..
- A stimulating, dynamic, supportive school community

Who does this school serve?

SLO Classical Academy opened in fall of 2005 with 30 students in four classes from kindergarten through 6th grade. We now serve 80 students in kindergarten through 8th grade.

We also serve the broader educational community with our Tutoring program and with free inspirational lectures throughout the year.

SLO Classical Academy accepts students throughout San Luis Obispo County. We admit students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally made available to students. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in the administration of its educational or admissions policies.

Is this a religious school?

A specific religious affiliation is not a distinguishing characteristic of the SLO Classical Academy. It is our desire to provide an excellent educational option to all families in the San Luis Obispo County area, regardless of religious beliefs.

However, because the classical education model has roots in Christian education centuries ago, and as world history is also rich in Christian content, curriculum may be chosen which contains Christian ideals if it meets the educational standards and goals of the school.