

What's New at Chi Chi's?

September 2021











Top Left: 8th grade General Store Employee Tariq helps 4th grader Caleb at the Lego table while Adrianna and Mariyah look on; Top Right: Store Employees Hannah and Carmon; Middle: Store Employees Nevaeh, Stephen and Tariq; Bottom Left: 5th graders Yaretzi and Mia studying in the new Academy Library; Bottom Right: 8th graders Luis and Charles discuss a book with Brianna in the background in the Academy Library

Chi Chi Academy General Store and New Library Open!

We are excited to have the 8th grade students back as employees in the General Store! This year, 6 students earned employee status following an application and interview process. These 8th graders will stock and price items in the store, work the cash register and help younger students shop. Students at the Academy earn "Chi Chi" money based on their behavior every day, and can utilize that money every two weeks to purchase items at the Store. This provides them with an authentic understanding of money management and allows them to purchase items they wouldn't ordinarily be able to afford. Many use this opportunity to buy gifts for family members' birthdays or during the holidays.

New this year! One good thing to come out of COVID was the need to remove additional furniture out of the classrooms. The team decided to utilize the books and bookshelves that were used as classroom libraries to create the Academy Library for all of our students! This space down in the Bob James Education Center has already been used by the 5th grade as a classroom for a day and all middle school students have "checked out" a book for their Language Arts class incentives. We are always looking for age appropriate books to expand our library, if you have donations, please contact Laura Tobe at laura@chichi.org!

Upcoming Events

Chi Chi Charity Classic November 14th - 15th Chi Chi Golf Club



Mission: to educate students in a public-private partnership and improve their academic performance, self-esteem and character using the golf course as a living classroom.

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SAVE Promise Club students at their first meeting with Academy Counselor Bobbie Hill

Chi Chi Academy hosts first SAVE **Promise Club Meeting!**

SAVE Promise Clubs (Students Against Violence Everywhere) are student-led organizations that encourage young people to take charge of keeping their friends, schools, and communities safe. Students at the Academy applied to be members of the Club and will meet monthly with Counselor Bobbie Hill. The students choose the agenda for each meeting themselves and work together to encourage a safe school environment.

Chi Chi's Businesses Featured by Golf Range Association of America!

Earlier this year, the Chi Chi Driving Range was named a 2020 Top 50 Stand Alone Range by the Golf Range Association of America (GRAA) for its golf industry best practices and top tier facilities. This month, GRAA wrote an article profiling not only the Driving Range, but the Golf Club, Youth Foundation and its educational programs. Thank you GRAA!

View the Full Article:

https://golfrange.org/graa-award-winner-facility-profile-chi-chi-rodriguez-golf-club-and-driving-range/





Top: Chi Chi Driving Range bays featuring signage about the Youth Foundation; Bottom: Golf Club #4 green and #5 tee box photo by STIC Media Group and Sawyer Wilson

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