

# **10 Reasons to attend THE DEN Ocean Palms Morning and Extended Day Program**

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- 1. All of your tuition dollars go back to OPES**
  - Initial tuition funds are used to cover the costs of running our program
  - All additional funds are put back into the classrooms and the school as a whole
- 2. Tuition Fee comparable to other programs**
  - Our tuition is comparable if not lower than other programs in our surrounding area
  - Sibling and Free/Reduced lunch tuition discounts
- 3. Our program is a SJCS D program**
  - Our program requires the same policies, procedures and mandates as OPES and the SJCS D
  - Our program and staff are held to the same A+ standards of excellence as required for your children during their school day
- 4. Your children remain on campus in a safe and familiar environment**
  - The children will not have to be transported to another location
  - Staying on campus provides access to academic needs that they simple cannot receive elsewhere
- 5. Morning Program**
  - Opens at 7:00am
  - Breakfast offered from our OPES café which can be paid for through your child's lunch account
  - Quiet activities to help our children begin their day on the right course
- 6. Extended Day**
  - Our extended day program offers many options for our children
  - Homework lab is a rotation zone for grades 2-5. Guided Resource is a rotation zone for K-1
  - Additional zones are available on a rotation schedule which include: outside recreation, crafts, penmanship, computers, inside recreation
- 7. Our program is based on the 6 Character Pillars and the 7 Habits of Happy Children**
  - We feel following the Character Pillars and 7 Habits gives a child a well-rounded view of the traits of successful student
- 8. Nutritional snacks are provided**
  - Choices vary from baked chips, nutrigrain bars, cheese sticks, yogurt, applesauce, crackers, etc
  - You are welcome to pack a snack for your child
- 9. 5<sup>th</sup> grade special programs**
  - As our 5<sup>th</sup> graders begin their transition into middle school, we feel it is so important to give them the opportunity to grow their personal skills with responsibility and service to others
  - Our Jr. Team Leader Program does that
- 10. Extending ourselves to enrich children**
  - We take pride in the fact that our staff is nurturing and wants to work with children
  - We will go above and beyond to make this time with your children fun and enriching
  - We are here to provide them with the avenues they need to excel with academics, social skills, self-esteem, and to make sure they know they can make a difference in their school and community

**I make it my personal mission to make sure that your child starts and finishes their day at Ocean Palms on a positive note. I feel communication with you also directly relates to the success of our program. My door is always open for questions and concerns. Thank you for entrusting your child(ren) to me and this program.**

