

The Costa Valencia Sun

Costa Valencia Apartment Homes
6309 Highway 90W, San Antonio, TX 78227

BACK TO SCHOOL TIPS

August 2009



Revive old routines. Family routines tend to slide in the summer and now it's time to get back on track. Practice school bedtimes a week before school starts so that the new routine is established. **Be Prepared!** Don't underestimate the fun and importance of new stuff for the big day. Be sure your children have supplies and properly fitting new clothes for them to feel confident and make a good impression this school year. **Show Them the Way.** If your child is new to the school, give your child a tour. Also, go over bus "know-how" and safety. **Prepare the Teacher.** Let your child's teacher know about any specifics about behavior or health ahead of time. **Talk, Talk, Talk.** Say positive things about school. Keep the line of communication open with your children and make a habit of asking them about their day. **Be Organized.** Ease back-to-school anxiety by establishing better ways for you and your child to stay organized. **Take it Easy!** Preparation is great—just don't go overboard. **Attend the Back to School Pool Party on August 21.** Reassure your child, everyone feels a little nervous the first week back and party one last time for the summer!

CALENDAR ITEMS

Summer Enrichment Program

DAYS: Tuesday-Thursday
TIME: 10:30 AM-12:30 PM
Students grades 1-5 participate in fun activities each day. Program ends August 13.

Money

Management Class

DATE: August 20, 2009
TIME: 5:00 PM- 7:00 PM
Adults are invited to learn about ways to manage money and budget better.

Self Improvement Workshop

DATE: August 13 & 27
Please call Shawnnell at 210/645-4544 and sign up for this workshop given by Life Synagogue.

Continuing Education

DATE: August 17, 2009
TIME: 2:00 PM-3:00 PM
Any teens or adults are invited to learn how to continue pursuing their education through GED, trade schools or college programs.

Resident Services at this property are provided by:

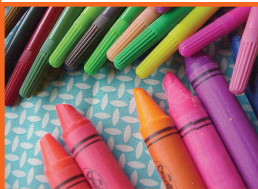


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Property Reminders: With school beginning this month, we welcome our residents to use the on-site computer lab.

While working be mindful of our **COMPUTER LAB RULES** below:

- Lab use is for residents and their accompanied guest.
- No one under 16 is allowed in the computer lab without a parent or guardian.
- Always remember to sign in when using the computer lab
- No food or beverages are allowed into the computer lab.



COSTA VALENCIA SCHOOL SUPPLY & UNIFORM DRIVE
From August 1 until the first day of school we invite all parents, neighbors and friends to donate school, supplies for those who may not be able afford them. Just pick up a few extra items while you shop for your own child's supplies.

Also, feel free to donate new or gently used uniforms to help another child in need. You may drop off your donation in the leasing office or in Resident Services office. If your child needs school supplies or uniforms, please call Shawnnell Batiste at 210/923-1692.



Hello Costa Valencia Residents,

It's back to school time, and school clothing and supplies will take a bite out of your budget this month. Here are a few ways to help:

Remember that tax-free weekend is August 21-23. Try to schedule shopping around these dates. You can save while buying the things your children need most, such as supplies, clothing, footwear and backpacks. To keep your family fed, try the Angel Food program that feeds a family of four for one week for only \$30.00. You place your order by August 13, 2009 with me and pick up your food from the designated site on August 29. It's that simple. Seniors, you can apply for a free box of food through Project Hope, too. Parents remember that our summer program ends on August 13 and After-School program begins August 25. Please let me know how I can assist you-I am here for you!

-Shawnnell Batiste

Resident Services Office Information
Office Hours: Walk-in Wednesday & Thursday 9:30 AM-3:00PM
Other times by appointment only.
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