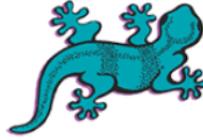




**All Things E.Q.**  
The Discovery of You



**DESERT SAGE**  
*Elementary School*

August 23, 2018

Hello Parents and Guardians,

Desert Sage consistently provides students with a strong academic foundation lead by the amazing teachers who work hard to deliver an academic program (Intelligence Quotient or I.Q.) to students. Because I.Q. alone does not make successful children and adults, Desert Sage is also partnering with All Things E.Q. to develop the Emotional Intelligence (Emotional Quotient or E.Q.) in students.

E.Q. is often referred to as social and emotional learning. To raise a student's E.Q., Desert Sage will focus on three key areas:

- 1) Leadership Development
- 2) Social and Emotional Skills
- 3) Positive Campus Culture

Leadership Development:

Leadership skills are acquired through experience. If you don't have opportunities to lead, then leadership skills are learned slowly, if at all. Therefore, our objective is to provide frequent opportunities for our students to practice leadership skills in a safe environment. We will continue with our incredible CHAMPS program for our 6<sup>th</sup> graders, while providing an additional EQ Ambassador program for our 5<sup>th</sup> grade students. By creating strong leaders and role models in our upper grades, all our students benefit!

EQ Training & Practice with Social and Emotional Skills:

Each week students will use different tools to increase their self-awareness, empathy, social skills, self-regulation and motivation. For example, our students will be learning and practicing how to focus on solutions rather than problems, understanding communication skills and body language and learning to value mistakes and confusion as necessary ingredients for learning. Each week, a new skill will be introduced.

Development of a Positive Campus Culture:

To create a shared vocabulary between campus and home and because your child's best interest is something we all have in common, we include parents in brief weekly emails that keep you abreast of the tools your child is learning in school each week, so you can implement them at home. You can sign up for the free weekly insights at [info@allthingseq.com](mailto:info@allthingseq.com). When schools and parents work together we bring the best of all of us to our students.

We are looking forward to another great year at Desert Sage!

Sincerely,

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