

Highly Qualified Teachers

Most members of the professional instructional team at Trinity Charter School, New Life Campus have obtained at least a Master's degree in his or her field. All core teachers are certified in Special Education and are highly qualified according to the *No Child Left Behind* requirements.

Math 7 - 12, Vicki Rainwater

Science 7 - 12: Dr. Arnulfo Marasigan

Social Studies 7 - 12: Kellie Ragland, Vice-Principal

Art and Electives: Heidi Johnson

English 7 - 12: Darlene Lott

Behavior Mastery: Jonathan Stanford

Intermediate Self-Contained: Amy Almond

Physical Education EC-12: Jaime Pena

Principal EC-12: Wade Cherry

Teachers continue professional development throughout the school year in their respective fields and in *Girls and Boys Town* discipline management techniques in order to best serve the students they teach.

Highly Qualified Paraprofessionals

Paraprofessionals - our **Educational Counselors** - are certified in Region XIII Paraprofessional Training in math and language arts. They all also train in *Girls and Boys Town* discipline management training.

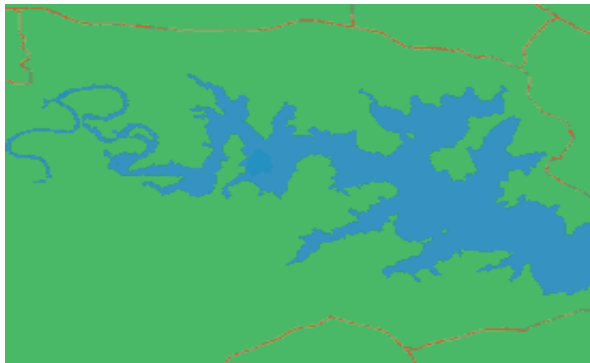
Ongoing training for all staff includes SAMA (BLAH BLAH)

Trinity Charter School, New Life Campus nestles on twenty acres of prime hill country property between the Guadalupe River and Canyon Lake. Students currently enjoy a gym, an outdoor sand volleyball court, a sports court, an in-ground swimming pool, and modern classrooms.

The facility has begun plans for major site renovations that include an agricultural complex and sports fields, new maintenance and administration buildings, and school additions to include more classrooms and a full-scale library.



The Guadalupe River flows along the eastern edge of the New Life residential facility.



Canyon Lake, a popular recreational attraction, is known for its fishing and boating. The lake encompasses more than 8,300 acres.



Canyon Dam controls the depth of the lake, regulating spills into the Guadalupe River.

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New Life Campus

Learning is what we do . . .

Designer education is what we provide.

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Trinity Charter School, New Life Campus



Trinity Charter School, New Life Campus, is one of three campuses in the Trinity Charter School system. The other campuses include Nelson, in Denton, TX, and Krause, in Katy, TX. Each campus works with emotionally disturbed youth in a residential treatment center.

The New Life Campus, in particular, accepts students who are specialized or intensive in the level of care needed. Many of these students find themselves behind in their learning. New Life focuses on closing the gaps that may exist in a child's learning, thereby ensuring a brighter future.

Trinity Charter School is in its fourth year of operation and holds an accountability rating of "Academically Acceptable" from the Texas Education Agency for the 2006-2007 school year under the Alternative Education Accountability (AEA) standard. Trinity Charter School is the recipient of the 2005 - 2006 and 2006-2007 Texas Excellence in Education Award.

Course Offerings

Trinity Charter School, New Life Campus, offers a variety of courses that include basic core courses and electives for 4th-12th graders. Upon enrollment in the school, students participate in SCANTRON pre-assessments in language arts, reading, math, and science. These results are used to place students in appropriate, flexible groups and to design individualized learning objectives to close learning gaps.

Current courses include English Language Arts 5/6, Math 5/6, Science 5/6, World Cultures 5/6, Fine Arts 5/6, English Language Arts 7/8, English I, II, III, and IV, Math 7/8, Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, Pre-Calculus, Science 7/8, Biology, Integrated Physics and Chemistry (IPC), Chemistry, Social Studies 7/8, World Geography, World History, U.S. History, and Government/Economics.

Electives include keyboarding, BCIS, art, communication applications, creative writing, health, P.E., theatre arts, horticulture, and personal finance. Students attend sessions for tutoring in academics, course completion and credit recovery, and SAT preparation. They also go on educational field trips and outings and have access to a mobile distance learning lab.

In addition, students work individually on specific credit recovery programs using Plato software. Credit is awarded upon successful completion of the course. The student to computer ratio is 2:1, which exceeds the state recommendation.

The average class size is ten students.



Learning continues beyond the 8:00 a.m.-3 p.m. academic day into afternoon, evening, and weekend SAIL learning activities that support the classroom instruction. Under the SAIL program, students receive regular, targeted, individualized instruction and computer assisted tutoring.

The curriculum of Trinity Charter School is based on the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS). Each student's Individual Educational Plan is developed with the goal of preparing the student to achieve mastery of the TEKS. In utilizing both traditional classroom instruction and the individual extended learning opportunities that comprise the SAIL program, Trinity reinforces student comprehension and mastery in a manner that enhances student performance.

The SAIL program is an individualized program that operates in the evenings and on weekends during the school year, on holidays, and during summer intermission.



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Highly Qualified Teachers

All of our teachers at Nelson Children's Center are highly qualified according to *No Child Left Behind* (NCLB) requirements.

Self-Contained, Elementary Education: Lisa Morrison

Math: Jody Gribble

Science: Jacy Williamson

Social Studies: Jane Sample

Language Arts: Veronica Holloway

Art: Patreece Lewis

All teachers are also certified in Special Education or are completing certification in this area. Teachers continue professional development throughout the school year in their respective fields and in *Girls and Boys Town* discipline management techniques in order to best serve the students they teach.

Highly Qualified Paraprofessionals

Paraprofessionals—our *Educational Counselors*—are certified in Region XIII Paraprofessional Training in math and language arts. All Educational Counselors also train in *Girls and Boys Town* discipline management training.

Ongoing training for all staff includes Therapeutic Crisis Intervention (TCI).

Trinity Charter School, Nelson Children's Center Campus is in Denton, Texas.

The Kenneth W. and Billie Jo Nelson Children's Center opened in November 1995. The center is a licensed, nonprofit residential treatment center for emotionally disturbed girls and boys, ages six to 15. A new gymnasium/classroom building was dedicated on Aug. 17, 2002

The Nelson Center provides skilled professional treatment for children with behavioral and emotional problems in a 24-hour therapeutic environment within a secure, modern facility. There are four separate units, each with a dayroom and fireplace.

Staffed by multi-disciplinary professionals, the Nelson Center provides healing in a warm, nurturing environment. The center has earned a strong reputation for making a positive difference in the troubled lives of the boys and girls it serves.

Denton is a Main Street City that tops a triangle formed by itself, Ft. Worth and Dallas. This area is traditionally referred to as the Golden Triangle.

Denton is the proud home of two public Universities; [Texas Woman's University](#) and the [University of North Texas](#), the 3rd largest university in the State of Texas, with a combined enrollment of approximately 40,000 students.



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Nelson Children's Center Campus

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Course Offerings



Trinity Charter School Nelson Children's Center Campus offers a variety of courses that include basic core courses for 1st-9th graders and electives.

Core courses include English, Language Arts, Math, Algebra, Geometry, Science, Biology, Integrated Physics and Chemistry, Social Studies, Texas History, U. S. History, World History, World Geography, and Fine Arts.

Electives include creative writing, health, P.E., theatre arts, cheerleading, gardening, social skills training, and anger management. Students attend additional help sessions for tutoring in academics, course completion and credit recovery. They also go on field trips and outings.

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