

SLA

THE PRISM

Voices of Spectrum

Every child deserves an environment built for how they learn, not a one-size-fits-all mold. Look out for future features highlighting stories & perspectives from our SLA parents, educators, & community champions.

SLA Community & Events

Founding Funders Tree Mural: Help us get started! Sponsor a leaf on our tree mural to permanently honor your company or family.

Poker Ride: Stay tuned—details on this fun ride are coming soon.

Dates & details coming soon!

What's New at SLA:

We Are Officially a 501(c)(3) Non-Profit!

We reached a major milestone! SLA is now officially a 501(c)(3) non-profit. Your contributions are tax-deductible, helping us unlock new grant, sponsor, and donor opportunities.

The Search for Our Campus Home

We're actively searching for land for Spectrum Learning Academy—the first physical step toward bringing our vision to life!

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Ways to get Involved

Spread the word—forward this newsletter or share our social posts.

connect

Know any land, partner, or sponsor opportunities that fit our mission? Let us know!

donate

Help us build from the ground up—support our startup fund and land acquisition. Click [HERE](#) to donate.



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Did You Know?

1 in 31 children is diagnosed with autism today—a 375% increase since 2000.

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In Focus: A Letter From Our Founder

Building a Space Where Every Child Belongs

I am so excited to welcome you to our very first newsletter—The Prism. Words cannot express how thankful and genuinely lucky I feel to be writing this to you. The fact that we are actively building this school for such an extraordinary group of students fills my heart. We are creating a space built on love, safety, and acceptance—and opening our arms to build a true community with our families.

To share a little about myself: I'm a mom to three endlessly creative, passionate, and beautifully diverse kids. I am lucky to share this life with my husband, Ross—my best friend & full partner in bringing this vision to life. I am a former public school special education teacher, paraprofessional, a veterinary assistant, and a certified yoga teacher. Right now, I'm pursuing my Master's at the University of Oklahoma to become a Board Certified Behavioral Analyst (BCBA). Outside of work, I love all animals, being in nature, gardening, catching turtles, and fishing.

My passion for SLA comes from what I've witnessed firsthand in the classroom. Far too

many children are simply not given the kind of learning space they deserve. But when a child is given an environment built for them, the growth is incredible.

I've watched kids build confidence the moment they feel safe and understood. I've seen them learn to communicate their wants and needs when given the time, and trust enough to show what they are truly capable of doing. Getting to learn what brings a child peace, what makes them smile, and what makes them genuinely proud of themselves is proof that this kind of environment is an absolute necessity.

At Spectrum Learning Academy, that is exactly what we are building: a place where differences are celebrated, individual needs are met with patience, and every student is empowered to grow at their own pace.

We can't wait until our physical doors are open, but bringing this dream to life takes a village. I am so glad you're here, and I invite you to join us in building this together. Thank you from every part of my heart!

Sending so much love and light,

Ryan Buck-Donnan
Founder, Spectrum Learning Academy



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