



Young Chefs[®] Academy chosen among the “Top 10 Best Birthday Party” Chains by *Parents* Magazine

Waco, TX (April 6, 2010)---*Parents* magazine today revealed the exclusive findings from its 10 Best Birthday Chains survey. While most parents are no longer planning incredibly expensive, over-the-top birthday bashes, they still want to make sure their child has a fun and memorable celebration. *Parents* surveyed the birthday party packages offered by national chains to assess which offer the most entertaining, unique and personalized experience at a reasonable price.

While researching national birthday chains, *Parents* looked at what each place provided in terms of fun, games and food as well as extras such as invites, partyware and goody bag favors. The availability of instructors, personalization level, and party room size were also taken into consideration. Most importantly, our 10 Best Birthday Party Chains are affordable, with rates as low as \$12 per kid.

“Our May issue is devoted to birthday parties and we wanted to find out which party chains not only throw fun birthdays that kids will love, but offer affordable packages that will make parents happy,” says Dana Points, editor-in-chief of *Parents*. “We examined more than 40 popular party spots to bring readers the 10 best ones. They’ll tailor the bash to your child’s interests, offer proper supervision and handle the cleanup—so mom and dad can enjoy the party too.”

For more information about *Parents* magazine’s Ten Best Birthday Party Chains, visit:

<http://www.parents.com/fun/birthdays/ideas/top-10-birthday-chains-for-kid-birthday-parties/>.

About Young Chefs[®] Academy:

Informative and inspirational, *Young Chefs[®] Academy* has become the largest children’s cooking school franchise worldwide. How? Through teaching children the importance and value of cooking in a safe kid-friendly setting that encourages discovery and creativity. Founded in 2003 by Julie Fabing Burluson and Suzy Vinson Nettles, *Young Chefs[®] International* has sold locations in over 25 states and 4 countries worldwide. Each independently owned and operated YCA franchise location offers kids an entertaining combination of food preparation, kitchen safety, etiquette, table setting, and menu planning classes. “The classes are educational, but they are also a great way to get families to spend quality time together in the kitchen”, say Suzy and Julie, “We take the everyday task of cooking and turn it into a fun experience for our kids to embrace a life-long skill.” YCA is Life Changing! Visit www.youngchefsacademy.com for more information.

About Parents:

Parents, published monthly by Meredith Corporation, has been America's #1 family magazine for more than 80 years. Since its inception in 1926, it has been a trusted source by every generation of parents. Currently, the magazine is a powerful community of nearly 16 million readers devoted to supporting the efforts of parents, educators and other citizens who strive to make the world a better place for our children. *Parents* can be found online at www.parents.com.