



Pre-K Supplemental Information:

CURRICULUM: Curriculum for the preschool has been developed using materials from a wide variety of resources. Learning centers and activities are designed to develop: good behavior and school readiness, math concepts, language and listening skills, social skills, environmental and cultural awareness, large and fine motor skills, and spiritual growth. We use an integrated curriculum, combining hands-on projects and written tasks. We emphasize number and letter recognition and concepts. We structure activities so that the children achieve success and receive praise for their efforts. Children will be encouraged for good behavior and school readiness. Recognition is given for attentiveness, following directions, positive behavior, and the acceptance of responsibility.

- Math concepts are taught using manipulatives for discovery, patterning, and ordering. Oral expression describing relationships and quantities of objects, as well as counting and recognizing numbers and shapes, are also part of the structured activities.
- Language skills, creativity, and self-expression are exercised through the introduction of dramatic play, art, crafts, music, "Show 'n Tell," and "I Am Special" bulletin boards that feature pictures and memorabilia of a different class member's family each week.
- Efforts to develop reading readiness are begun in preschool by working with the alphabet letters, their shapes and phonics.
- Listening skills are cultivated by games and by children re-telling stories read in class.
- Social interaction becomes a part of everyday life as children learn to share, to play together, and to work together to reach a common goal. Scriptural principles are applied to peer relationships and behavior, thus transforming problems into learning opportunities.
- Cooking, housekeeping activities, guest speakers, films and videos, music, and monthly topical studies (such as plants, occupations, and countries) are used to promote environmental awareness.
- Coordination and the development of large and fine motor skills are promoted by developmental P. E., outdoor play, floor activities, rhythm and movement to music, catching and throwing bean bags and balls, cutting, coloring, running, skipping, hopping, and other physical games.
- Daily Bible stories, morning devotions, praise and worship, and prayer are used to model and develop Christian character and spiritual growth.