

## ACADEMIC INFORMATION PRESCHOOL K2, K3, K4 COURSE OFFERINGS

## **Bible**

The expected student outcomes for students' spiritual growth are to become more like Jesus, as identified in the school's mission statement using the Bible verse, Luke 2:52, "to grow in wisdom and stature and favor with God and men." These student outcomes include character development, acquisition of Christian values, spiritual formation, Christlike respect, compassion, and caring for self and all others as it is taught within all subject areas and demonstrated by school personnel.

Preschool students are informally assessed on their spiritual development. For preschool, anecdotal notes document students modeling Christian values with one another. As the year progresses, preschool teachers observe students applying prayer principles and respect in actions and words. Preschool report cards indicate how students participate in two areas of spiritual development – beginning understanding of Christian values and reciting of weekly Bible verses.

**K2** (Students two years old by September 1)

Play and community within a safe, Christian environment are the foundations of the K2 program. At the completion of K2, students will have been exposed to many hands-on learning activities and manipulative resources. These activities will provide students with opportunities to begin recognizing numbers from 1-10 by sight, counting items with 1:1 correspondence, recognizing letters from A-Z by sight and sound, begin tracing letters and numbers, learn to recognize their name, and many play-focused learning opportunities to observe and practice Christian values through community. Students will develop both gross and fine motor skills through a variety of free and structured play activities and learning centers. Students practice gross motor in the classroom, gymnasium and outdoor play on the playground. Students are guided to develop fine motor skills through a variety of activities with large writing utensils, manipulatives and resources.

**K3** (Students three years old by September 1)

Play and community within a safe, Christian environment are the foundations of the K3 program. At the completion of K3, students will recognize numbers 1-15 by sight, correctly count 15 items with 1:1 correspondence, recognize letters A-Z by sight and letter sound, and begin tracing their first names. Students will begin to demonstrate an understanding of Christian values through free play as they role play within their learning community and play throughout well-developed learning centers. Students will develop both gross and fine motor skills through a variety of free and structured play activities and learning centers. Students practice gross motor in the classroom, gymnasium and outdoor play on the playground. Students are guided to develop fine motor skills through a variety of activities with large writing utensils, manipulatives and resources.

## **K4** (Students four years old by September 1)

Play and community within a safe, Christian environment are the foundations of the K4 program. At the completion of K4, students will be able to recognize numbers 1-20 by sight, correctly count 20 items with 1:1 correspondence and begin to properly form and identify the corresponding numbers. Students will also recognize letters A-Z by sight and letter sound and begin to properly write/form the letters in their first and last name. Students will begin to demonstrate an understanding of Christian values through free play as they role play within their learning community and play throughout well-developed learning centers. Students will develop both gross and fine motor skills through a variety of free and structured play activities and learning centers. Students practice gross motor in the classroom, gymnasium and outdoor play on the playground. Students are guided to develop fine motor skills through a variety of activities with large writing utensils, manipulatives and resources.