

Pre-Kindergarten & Kindergarten

Pre-Kindergarten

Full-day program, Monday through Friday: 4 & 5-year-old program (students must be 4 by August 1st)

1 Certified Teacher and 1 Teacher Aide

Certified, dedicated Christian teachers use formal lessons in preparation for structured classroom learning as well as informal learning environment to prepare children for the Kindergarten learning experience and to know Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

Pre-Kindergarten is a stepping-stone for children who are either not quite old enough or who just need a little extra time to prepare for the big step into Kindergarten. They will experience many hands on learning activities preparing them socially, academically, and spiritually for Kindergarten. The Pre-Kindergarten students will experience: Christian environment, Licensed Early Childhood Program, social and spiritual development, music class and participation in school musical programs, physical education classes, library and computer time each week, field trips with active learning experiences, breakfast and hot lunch program, and after-school daycare.

Kindergarten

Full-day program, Monday through Friday: Students must be 5 by August 1st

1 Certified Teacher and 1 Shared Teacher Aide

Kindergarten is an important step in your child's education and serves as the first solid building block in Christian education. Certified staff and dedicated Christian leaders give your child structured, directed group activities balanced with independent learning. Kindergarten students will experience musicals, field trips, breakfast and hot lunch programs. After school daycare is also available. Listed below is the curriculum:

- *RELIGION* - The children apply Bible stories to their daily lives, and memorize Bible verses through song. Children learn about God's forgiveness and how to respond to God's love.
- *LANGUAGE ARTS* - Children participate in daily story time, journaling, Zaner-Bloser manuscript methods, Write Traits writing basics, and visits to the school's library.
- *READING READINESS* - Children learn initial consonant sounds, basic words, and additional reading readiness skills.
- *SOCIAL STUDIES* - a social studies curriculum includes units on the family, holidays, and our neighborhoods.
- *MATH* - The math curriculum which includes writing numbers, identifying shapes, counting, making patterns, measurement, time, and money. An introduction to addition and subtraction along with technology skills are included.
- *SCIENCE* - Units include identification of internal and external body parts, looking at the sky, exploring with the senses, and characteristics of living things.
- *ART* - Creative expression is encouraged as well as activities to improve fine motor skills and the ability to follow directions.
- *MUSIC* - The basics of songs and rhythms are taught; in addition, many musical instruments are introduced. Students perform in the school's Christmas and spring musical programs.
- *PHYSICAL EDUCATION* - Students engage in large muscle activities and games that encourage the love of play and sport with low-level competition.
- *CENTERS* - During the kindergarten day, there are work centers and play centers. Through the two types of centers, students learn to work independently and cooperatively, and they are able to make choices about their work. As a result, they feel more at home in the classroom.