

## St. John's Preschool 3 & 4 year olds Curriculum Overview

Our program focuses on the development of the whole child, through multiple intelligences, differentiated instruction and hands on learning.

The SCEWD curriculum is divided into five major curriculum areas.

They are:

### Social—Spiritual Development

- Developing a positive self-esteem
- Practicing self-control
- Developing a positive relationship with peers and adults
- Helping other and learning to compromise
- Making decisions and showing initiative
- Appreciating and celebrating diversity
- Engaging in various levels of play

### Communication Arts

- Listening to others and sharing information during group discussion
- Developing speaking, listening, and writing skills

### Expressive Arts

- Furthering self-expression and communication skills through individual and group activities
- Use of building materials for expression

### Wellness

- Working with large muscle groups to further development of upper and lower body skills
- Refining the development of fine motor skills
- Engaging in vigorous indoor/outdoor play.

### Discovery

- Furthering knowledge of critical thinking and problem solving
- Furthering knowledge of math concepts through investigation and use of manipulatives
- Hypothesizing, predicting, and testing scientific concepts
- Demonstrating knowledge through dramatic and block play
- Learning about the world through hands-on sensory experiences.

### Teacher's Role:

- Organization of content
- Preparing the environment
- Guiding and monitoring children's progress
- Identify instructional needs of individual children
- Create and maintain a system for assessment