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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 areas of study.

Spiritual/Social Development

Learning about God and His love for us
Becoming familiar with Bible stories and songs
Praying before lunch and snacks

Participating in Jesus time and chapel worship
Developing positive self-esteem

Practicing self-control

Developing a positive relationship with peers and adults
Helping others 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 and 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