Jr. K Curriculum

Bible Resources: Our Bible curriculum includes daily Bible stories from the Old and New Testaments, and monthly memory verses. We sing songs to reinforce Bible knowledge and Christian character daily. Specifically, our curriculum uses The Beginner's Bible, a trusted starting point for your child's journey toward a lifelong love of God's Word.

Math Resources: The math curriculum used in Jr. Kindergarten is Math Connects by Macmillan McGraw Hill. The organization and pacing of Math Connects helps ensure in-depth coverage of all Pre-K standards and is a strong foundation for Kindergarten. Math concepts taught include:

- Attributes
- Sort and Classify
- Position and Direction
- Shapes
- Numbers 0 to 10

Handwriting: The Handwriting Without Tears Get Set for School curriculum is used to strengthen fine motor skills in a way that is fun and interactive. In Jr. Kindergarten, we use the HWT workbook, multi-sensory products, and music. Children play, build, sing, color, and learn while developing important skills for Kindergarten:

- Language Proficiency
- Social Skills
- Fine and Gross Motor Control
- Color and Shape Awareness
- Letter and Number Awareness
- Counting

The Get Set for School program suits a wide range of children and adapts to their changing needs as they grow.

Phonics: The Jr. Kindergarten phonics curriculum is a combination of Fundations and Heggerty Daily Phonemic Awareness. This curriculum provides explicit, systematic instruction covering all 8 phonological awareness skills plus 3 early literacy skills, including phoneme-grapheme connections. Children hear specific sounds, identify sound sequence and understand the role phonemes play in word formations. A strong foundation in phonemic awareness is necessary for success with phonics (letter/sound relationship), spelling and word recognition. Fundations provides a research-based program that includes instruction and assessments. Fundations helps students become completely proficient rather than just cover a standards-based curriculum. This program is aligned to the College and Career Ready Standards.

Creative Projects: In Jr. Kindergarten, a variety of art materials and methods are used. Children are encouraged to express themselves as they create art projects related to thematic units, seasons and weekly alphabet study.

Directed art is also used to help children learn:

- Following oral and visual directions
- Develop fine motor skills
- Strengthen eye-hand coordination
- Learn to work individually and independently