



## JUNIOR KINDERGARTEN CURRICULUM AND SUMMARY OF LEARNING

# SOCIAL/EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

### Our Curriculum

- Nurture positive self-identity
- Nurture emotional security
- Develop social interactions
- Nurture respect for rights and needs of others
- Nurture respect for the property of others
- Learn to play well with others
- Learn to solve conflict appropriately
- Develop self-regulation
- Follow multi-step directions

# ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS

### Our Curriculum

- Work from left to right
- Identify upper and lower case letters
- Make letter sound connections
- Explore rhymes and syllables
- Recall facts and details
- Make connections and predictions
- Draw conclusions
- Create imaginative stories
- Discriminate auditory differences
- Discriminate visual differences
- Recite simple poems and nursery rhymes
- Print first and last name
- Begin to print words and numbers

# MATHEMATICS

## Our Curriculum

- Identify shapes, patterns and sequences
- Create shapes, patterns and sequences
- Draw shapes
- Explore materials
- Rote count to 20
- Recognize and name numbers 1-10
- Master 1:1 correspondence to 10
- Measure with non-standard unit
- Build with blocks
- Use problem solving strategies
- Verbalize thinking strategies

# SCIENCE

## Our Curriculum

- Demonstrate an interest in science and exploration
- Use problem solving techniques and teamwork
- Study the body, 5 senses, hygiene and nutrition
- Study of animals, habitats, life cycles, and hibernation
- Chemistry: characteristics of objects and materials and how they change
- Physics: motion and forces
- Basic scientific vocabulary
- Year long PBL study of Trees

# SOCIAL STUDIES, FAMILY, AND LIFE SKILLS

## Our Curriculum

- Explore concepts of self, family, home and community
- Perform simple community service projects
- Explore world religions, cultures and holidays
- Celebrate holidays as opportunities to give thanks
- Celebrate ourselves, our world, and God's love
- Appreciate God's gifts (physical world, families, friends and self)

# WORLD LANGUAGES: Spanish

## Our Curriculum

- Sing songs and take part in activities to learn the language
- Reinforce subject matter through craft projects and games
- Oral repetition

# HEALTH, SAFETY, AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION

## Our Curriculum

- Develop individual gross motor skills including skipping, leaping, marching, galloping, jumping rope, tumbling, kicking, dribbling, throwing, and catching
  - develop strength of large and small muscle groups
  - develop understanding of how to engage in healthy and safe activities
  - explore motor skill through movement
- Learn about movement in space
- Develop balance and flexibility
- Develop eye-hand coordination
- Develop spatial skills
- Develop rhythmic expression
- Move to music
- Develop ability to work as a team
- Following directions, recognize and follow a routine
  - Listen, repeat and perform three-step direction
  - Play mirroring and shadowing a partner
  - Cooperative play
  - Process and display knowledge of simple rules

# APPROACHES TO LEARNING

## Our Curriculum

- Develop a positive approach to learning
- Develop competence as a creative problem solver
- Learn to use problem solving strategies
- Learn to verbalize thinking strategies
- Take pride in accomplishments
- Take responsible risks
- Maintain attention to task
- Listen
- Show continuing effort
- Contribute to discussions
- Ask questions