# St. Paul Preschool Program



## Engaging education designed for exceptional learning and growth.

Preschool students at St. Paul are three-year-olds, immersed in an energetic classroom that challenges and engages. Through teacher and student-directed learning, students are introduced to early literacy and math concepts that will prepare them for success in Pre-K. Our curriculum allows each student the space to discover individually and with peers in a safe and positive learning environment.

### A St. Paul preschool day for your child will look like this:

#### Thematic Units

• Some topics that preschool curriculum covers includes school, feelings, seasons, holidays, self and family, special people, insects, senses, transportation, and plants.

#### **Circle Time**

• Each day begins as children gather in a large group to talk and sing about the calendar, weather and daily happenings. This time provides an opportunity to establish a sense of community among our young learners. It is also a time to practice expressing feelings, taking turns to listen and speak, and to build skills in positive communication.

#### **Movement Activity/Playtime**

• Each day preschoolers engage in movement activities in the classroom, enjoy open gym time and/or outdoor playtime to foster the development of gross motor skills, attention, and cognitive performance and to have fun!

#### Literacy

• Students are exposed to curriculum based literature that supports monthly themes. Preschoolers are involved in literacy experiences that promote oral language, listening comprehension, vocabulary development and alphabetic knowledge. Small Group

• Children develop fine motor (cutting, gluing, coloring, puzzling, writing) and cognitive skills in a teacher or self-directed small groups. This time allows students to explore and extend concepts introduced during circle and literacy times. Free Play

• A time when students get to choose their own games, materials, and playmates. Free play activities include blocks, cars, dolls and dress up clothes, mini-kitchen, workbench, train table, imaginative play, play-doh, puzzles, sensory tables and more.

#### Show, Share and Prayer

• Students take part in special days when they are given an opportunity to share things about themselves, provide a snack for the class to share and join classmates in prayer for their family and friends.

#### **Preschool Program Options:**

- Three Day (M/W/F) Half-Day 9:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.
- Three Day (M/W/F) Full-Day 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
- Two Day (T/TH) Half-Day 9:00 a.m.—11:30 a.m.
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