

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL SCHOOL

PK4 (Pre-Kindergarten) YEAR AT A GLANCE

The aim of St. John's Episcopal School is for each child to grow in maturity, knowledge, and in spirit. Our goal is to foster positive self esteem through engaging learning experiences. St. John's small class size enables faculty to focus on each child and meet his or her individual needs.

Language Arts / Reading

- Balanced Literacy used along with Learning Without Tears, Saxon Phonics & Heggerty Phonemic Awareness – designed to differentiate learning where phonological and phonemic learning, coupled with opportunities to read and write, ensures literacy success
- Forming words with letters
- Recognition of upper and lower case
- Basic handwriting, beginning writing skills including sentence structure
- Becoming emergent readers, increasing vocabulary and learning story comprehension skills

Mathematics

- KinderMath: fun and engaging hands on learning that emphasizes critical thinking
- Simple addition and subtraction
- Concept of time
- Basic graphing, sorting and patterns
- Counting to 100 in 1's, 5's and 10's
- Recognizing coins and the value of money
- Days of the week, Months of the year, Seasons of the Year
- Geometry of shapes

Science

- Describe, observe and investigate properties of common objects
- Use simple measuring devices
- Discussing and observing life cycle
- Performing simple experiments in the classroom

Motor Skills

- Growth in physical and motor skills to help reinforce each child's development
- Mastery of fine motor skills such as pencil grip, tying their shoes, knowing left and right
- Demonstrating personal coordination

Social / Emotional Skills

- Following directions & participating in group activities
- Demonstrating self-control, exhibiting responsible behavior and showing respect to others through varied developmental centers

Enrichments

- Art, Music, Spanish, P.E., Smart Lab, Godly Play and Library
- Participate in Reading Buddies with older grade level students

Religion

- Attend Chapel three days a week and present a program (song or story) in chapel
- The students also learn Bible stories in the classroom to promote Christian character
- Godly Play Class

St. John's Episcopal School instills within students a healthy love and desire for learning. Helping each student make a successful transition from home into the educational environment is an important goal of our preschool program.

CURRICULUM