



## WHAT TO EXPECT IN EARLY EDUCATION

### 3/4-Year-Olds

Within a secure and nurturing community, young children are taught foundational truths which foster spiritual, physical, social, emotional and intellectual development. Scripture is the basis for teaching, training, and instilling a love for God and learning. Thus, Early Education begins the journey for young children to discover who God is and who He has created us to be in Christ.

Curriculum is taught through an integrative approach where subject matters are woven together, and the material is presented in a hands-on, experiential way that promotes discovery-based learning.

### BIBLE

The Bible is the standard of absolute truth and the ultimate authority for all of life. Biblical instruction challenges students to come to know the God of the Bible, so that they develop a worldview centered on the gospel of Christ enabling them to live lives pleasing to Him.

Weekly study and memory verses will cover the following:

Names of God	Daniel
Prayer	Birth of Christ
Creation	Life and Ministry of Christ
The Fall and Sin	Death and Resurrection of Christ
Abraham, Isaac and Jacob	The Early Church
Joseph	Paul and Silas
Moses	Christ's Return
David	

### MATH

Mathematics is the language of God's precise and deliberate design. The study of mathematics enables students to understand and articulate the logic and patterns of God's created order, and reveals that He is a God of detail and purpose.

Daily lessons and investigations are carefully sequenced to incrementally develop a spectrum of skills and concepts.

Concepts include:	
Counting (1-30)	Spatial Concepts
Digit Recognition (1-20)	Sequencing (first, next and last)
One-to-One Correspondence	Place Value
Sizes	Number Sense and Numeration
Comparisons	Subitizing
Shapes	Measurement
Sorting (by color, shape and size)	Temperature
Patterns	Graphing

### SCIENCE

Science is the study of the natural world as spoken into existence by a creative God. Students study science in order to increase in knowledge of the Creator by means of exploring His design and purpose. This knowledge will prepare them to subdue and steward the physical world for the glory of God and the good of mankind.

Concepts include:		
Observation	Cause and Effect	Weather
Questioning	Motion/Energy	Five Senses
Predictions	Plants	Chemical Reactions

## LANGUAGE & LITERACY

*Language is God's gift to man in order to establish a relationship with Him and to live in community with one another. As a foundation to all other learning, the language arts are essential for thinking and communicating effectively, comprehending oral and written material, and developing a love for God's Word and other literature.*

Concepts Include:

Nursery Rhymes	Sound Discrimination
Fingerplays	Initial Sound Identification
Print Awareness	Word Discrimination
Alphabet (uppercase)	Compound Words
Phonemes	Syllables
Rhyming	Literature-Based Lessons

## CONCEPTS

*God has designed children in such a way that they learn concepts that are meaningful and relevant to them. Students study concepts to discover more about themselves, their environment, and the world around them.*

Units include:

I am Special	Life Skills
Five Senses	Holidays
Seasons	Bears
Shapes	Farm Animals
Colors	Community Helpers
Patterns	Transportation
Food	Butterflies/Insects
Feelings	Ocean Life
Weather	

## ART

*Art is God's gift to enchant, delight, and bring out creativity. The process of art expands a child's ability to interact with the world around them and provides a new set of skills for self-expression and communication. Art cultivates important skills that benefit a child's development.*

Units include:

Painting	Molding
Drawing	Texture
Tracing	Warm/Cool Colors
Stamping	Self-Portraiture
Gluing	Art History
Cutting	

## SPECIALS

Chapel:

Combined Chapel is held the last Friday of the month at 9:30 am in the Gym.

Special Classes:

Daily: Minds in Motion  
Large Motor

Programs:

Christmas Program  
Muffins with Mom  
End of the Year Celebration & Art Gallery  
Donuts with Dad

Special Projects:

Christmas Party  
Valentine's Party  
Hundred Day of School Celebration  
Spring Picnic

Weekly: Music

Phonological Awareness  
Library (full time students)

