

PROGRAM GOALS 5 YEAR KINDERGARTEN

1. To provide a nurturing, relaxed environment with caring adults where self-concepts are enhanced, independence is encouraged, free choice decisions are offered, social skills are acquired, and individuality is respected and accepted.
2. To follow the DeKalb County School Curriculum and Georgia Early Learning and Development Standards in most areas of academic development.
3. To provide time which children can spend with their friends in a range of different satisfying activities such as art, science, geography, cooking, music and movement, drama, language arts, large and small motor development, and math readiness and concepts.
4. To provide the children with opportunities to work on a variety of skills which increase their interest in and control over their environment.
5. To provide opportunities to develop large motor skills and coordination through physically active play and creative movement.
6. To develop in the children an active curiosity about the world in which they live and an enthusiasm for learning which stimulates their creativity.
7. To help the child gain self-discipline in an environment where each child is aware of limits and expectations.
8. To develop in each child an appreciation for our world, the people around us, and all of God's creation.
9. To provide an atmosphere in the classroom which promotes respect for others and materials and fosters a love of learning.
10. To work with parents, as partners, in reaching our goals.
11. To develop the ability to solve problems and make decisions through active involvement in the learning process.
12. To develop critical listening skills and practice following directions.
13. To prepare students for the academic challenges of first grade.