

Educational Philosophy Statement

We believe that all children are gifts from God, and that they have been entrusted by Him to us for faith formation and instruction of necessary skills for kindergarten readiness. We offer a loving, safe Christian environment for guiding your children.

We foster respect and appreciation for the uniqueness of each child. We know that all children and adults have a valuable place in our multicultural society and feel it is important that we interact with and learn about each other by being respectful of our individual differences.

Through our various work and play activities that include prayer time, chapel time, stories, and music, we share the good news of Christ's love with your children to help them learn Christian values.

We believe it is important to nurture the whole child; thus, we have a stimulating learning environment with activities that address spiritual, intellectual, emotional, social, and physical aspects of each child.

We believe that children are always ready to learn. Our children are prepared for kindergarten by a staff of Christian teachers who use learning standards developed from various resources from the field of Early Childhood Education and Child Development. Developmentally appropriate learning objectives and Arizona Early Learning Standards are used daily as an important component of the lesson plan. These standards are also used in the assessment process. Assessments are shared with parents twice a year. Our curriculum provides a set of model guidelines describing fundamental competencies and specific knowledge that, for children ages 2 to 5, can provide a solid, coherent foundation for later learning in kindergarten and beyond. Its purpose is to provide the necessary stepping stones children need to achieve individual developmental goals. We are sensitive to the fact that each child has particular abilities and a certain level of competency in various areas. We provide work and play activities and exciting experiences that will be building blocks for advancing his or her understanding and skills.

We highly value the parents of our students and consider you to be the most important part of your child's teaching team.