

Oak Grove Academy

PRE-KINDERGARTEN FOUR

READING

- ✓ Leveled readers
- ✓ Comprehensive program that encompasses reading, writing, auditory and oral skills
- ✓ Dominion of all consonant letter sounds.
- ✓ Dominion of short vowel sounds.
- ✓ Dominion of phonic skills to decode and comprehend written words.
- ✓ Reading sentences and stories.
- ✓ Understanding the difference between a letter, a word, and a sentence.
- ✓ Be able to create a series of rhyming words.
- ✓ Develop an awareness of patterns and sounds in language.
- ✓ Print rich environment to promote comprehension and vocabulary.
- ✓ Read words in familiar surroundings.
- ✓ Learn how to recognize beginning, middle, and ending sounds in words.
- ✓ Knowledge of letters and sounds through writing, reading, and songs.
- ✓ Daily read aloud and story time.
- ✓ Sight Words.

WRITING

- ✓ Introduction of writing all letters of the alphabet.
- ✓ Writes first name legibly.
- ✓ Writing as a form of communication.
- ✓ Writing words and sentences using phonetic spelling.
- ✓ Participate in independent and teacher-directed story writing.
- ✓ Creative writing and self-expression with demonstrable dominion of sentence structure.
- ✓ Traditional manuscript printing and writing centers.

LITERACY AND INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

- ✓ Exposure to a variety of literature: fiction, non-fiction, songs, and poems.
- ✓ Identify differences between fiction and non-fiction.
- ✓ Group discussions about reading material.
- ✓ Gains information from pictures, stories, and charts.
- ✓ Retells a short story, with beginning, middle, and end.
- ✓ Promote independent and critical thinking skills.

SCIENCE

- ✓ Earth Science exploration
- ✓ Weather and the effect it has on plants, animals and people.
- ✓ Introduction to plant and animal life.

- ✓ Begin to understand and describe properties of common objects.
- ✓ Learning through hands-on experiences and field trips.

MATH

- ✓ Classification and sorting of objects.
- ✓ Pattern recognition and creation
- ✓ Print numbers
- ✓ Further work with geometric figures and 3-D figures.
- ✓ Introduction to prediction and estimation.
- ✓ Spatial organization, use of geometric representations

DEVELOPMENTALLY APPROPRIATE PRACTICES

- ✓ Creative arts and painting.
- ✓ Rhythm and movement.
- ✓ Cooking
- ✓ Dramatic play
- ✓ Learning centers
- ✓ Blocks and building manipulatives.
- ✓ Fine motor developments and cutting skills.
- ✓ Cooperative and team-building skills.
- ✓ Daily read aloud, essential for reading success.
- ✓ Computer lab
- ✓ Music
- ✓ Spanish language
- ✓ Physical education

OUTDOOR PLAY

- ✓ Gross motor skills
- ✓ Physical development
- ✓ Outdoor classroom
- ✓ Musical Garden

- ✓ *Age specific: December, January, February birthdates*
- ✓ *Highly qualified, caring and engaged staff*
- ✓ *Teachers certified in CPR and First Aid*
- ✓ *Daily communication with memo and lesson plans*
- ✓ *Annual assessments for growth and development*
- ✓ *Biannual parent teacher conferences*