

PreK 3 Curriculum

Trinity's educational philosophy is to develop the whole child. These areas include the spiritual, intellectual, social, physical and emotional development of each child. Our PreK3 curriculum has the following goals:

Spiritual Development

- knows Jesus loves them;
- knows God made them and takes care of them;
- builds trust in God by trusting adults;
- feels part of God's family;
- sees the Bible as God's Word;
- learns Bible stories;
- learns to worship through prayer, song and stories;
- worships enthusiastically and loudly, but sometimes in their own words
- begins to want to obey God;
- can say "I'm sorry" to God for bad things they do;
- knows that God loves and forgives them when they do bad things
- knows that Jesus still loves them when others don't show love to them;
- feels a sense of worth as a child of God;
- believes in Heaven and being with Jesus.

Intellectual Development

- learns colors, numbers, shapes;
- has a general sense about the world but likely unable to express it verbally;
- develops literal, concrete thinking;
- learns through the senses;
- learns through exploration and experimentation;
- developing a sense of time;
- utilizes deductive reasoning;
- develops spatial concepts;
- increases attention span;
- develops organizational skills;
- continued development of communication skills.

Physical Development

- develops large and small muscles;
- develops coordination through activities;
- more control of whole body movements;

- learning through senses;
- can run, jump, hop, leap, march, etc.;
- exhibits more accuracy when throwing and catching;
- shows dexterity in finger activities;
- practices safety for self and others;
- accepting uniqueness of self and others

Social Development

- engages in associative play;
- interacts with others on a one-to-one basis;
- shows interest in playing with others;
- learns to initiate play with others;
- use words in addition to gestures to express social needs
- learns to share;
- learns to take turns;
- learns to talk to and with others;
- joins in group activities;
- develops behavior fitting group activities
- develops independence;
- learns respect of others.

Emotional Development

- move away from attachment to parent or other significant adult
- recognize and speak to/about other adults;
- willing to have adventures on their own;
- accept reassurance from adults when working or playing;
- begin to develop assurance for themselves in new situations
- are loving;
- exhibits many different emotions;
- recognizes feelings;
- building a sense of self;
- takes pride in self and accomplishments;
- develops a sense of security in their surroundings
- development of a conscience;
- learns to handle negative feelings;

These goals of development will be best accomplished in the children through a sense of security, which is indispensable to good. Each child's development will take place at different times and in different ways as each is a unique creation of God.

Through the loving, learning atmosphere provided at Trinity Lutheran School, your child will experience a healthy and happy first time school experience, from which a positive attitude toward himself/herself and school will develop.