

YOUNG 5's CLASS

Must be 5 years old by September 1* *(if space is available, a child turning 5 in early Fall may be admitted)

5 days: M-F

Student/Teacher Ratio 14:2

The Young 5's Pre-Kindergarten program is designed for those children with spring and summer birthdays who desire an extra year before moving on to Kindergarten. While the curriculum is similar to our Pre-K curriculum, it does consist of different themes. As is the case in all of our Pre-K programs, the themes are supported by art, science, literature, religion, and music/movement activities, with an emphasis on math and reading readiness. Special attention is given to writing using *Handwriting without Tears*. Examples from our curriculum are listed below.

- <u>Reading Readiness</u> skills such as identifying upper and lower case alphabet letters, identify rhyming words, retelling the events of a story in sequence (beginning, middle, end), blending sounds (CVC), reciting days of the week, months of the year, seasons, and classifying items by category. New site words are introduced weekly.
- <u>Math</u> skills such as rote count to 20 and beyond, recognizing numbers 0 to 20 and beyond, understanding ordinal numbers 1st, 2nd, 3rd, graphing, comparing more/less/equal, introduction to simple addition and subtraction, introduction to place value, and introduction to skip counting (5's, 10's)
- <u>Social and personal</u> skills such as following 3 part directions, participating in class discussion and raising hand, playing cooperatively with others, and being familiar with daily calendar and weather
- <u>Fine motor</u> skills such as holding a pencil or crayon correctly, cutting with scissors, writing first name, drawing a person with recognizable body parts, and zipping and buttoning
- <u>Gross motor</u> skills such as balancing on one foot for 5 seconds, running, skipping, jumping forward on both feet, and crossing the mid-line with little difficulty
- Weekly Specials include Chapel, Music, and Storytelling. Science and MEGA Fun are offered bi-weekly.

Please contact us for our complete Young 5's curriculum.

