

Program Features

Toddler Classroom

Goals we aim for each child in the Toddler Classroom to accomplish:

* Social and Emotional Development

- Shares
- Plays with others
- Feels safe and secure while away from parents
- Shows like and dislikes
- Begins to show empathy for others
- Exhibits contrasting moods
- Imitates others
- Helps at clean up time

* Physical Development

- Transitions from a sippy cup to a regular cup
- Transitions from using fingers to utensils when eating
- Attempts to dress him/herself and put on shoes
- Washes and dry hands by him/herself
- Stacks blocks
- Fine motor skills
 - ❖ Holds crayons, markers and pencils
 - ❖ Holds spoon and fork
 - ❖ Paints
- Gross motor skills
 - ❖ Balances
 - ❖ Walks
 - ❖ Runs
 - ❖ Hops
 - ❖ Jumps
 - ❖ Climbs
 - ❖ Sits well in a chair

* Language and Literacy Development

- Expands vocabulary
- Follows 1-step directions/instructions
- Recognizes name by sight
- Responds to name
- Speaks in 2-3 word sentences
- Uses manners
 - ❖ Please
 - ❖ Thank you

* Mathematics and Reasoning Development

- Recognizes colors
- Begins to count
- Recognizes basic shapes

* Applied Sciences Developments

- Puts together simple puzzles
- Sorts
- Matches
- Recognizes animals and their sounds
- Expresses interest in music
- Participates in pretend play
- Introduction to basic Spanish speaking skills

Daily and weekly activities include:

* Following the rules and routines of the classroom

* Play!

- Explore through pretend play
- Construct with different equipment and materials
- Independently
- With peers
- With teachers

* Creative arts

- Projects
- Music
- Movement

* A morning message

* Sensory play

* Show-and-tell

* Outdoor play

* Participation in science experiments both inside and outside the classroom

* Star of the Week

* Group time

* Mystery Readers

* Story time

* Indoor exercising

* Assessments

- Child portfolios
- One on one with the teacher
- Observations

* Performing responsibilities associated with a daily job chosen by the child

* Enrichment classes

- Music with Merry Music Makers
- Spanish with Latin Heroes

