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Kinder-Prep Summary

PURPOSE

The Sacred Heart Academy Kinder-Prep (KP) program is five full days per week from 7:40 a.m. – 2:40 p.m. Students must be five by July 31st following the school year in which they are enrolling (for birthdates after May 31 an assessment is required.) KP is designed to prepare students for success in kindergarten the following school year. Some may even be eligible for kindergarten (five by September 1) but would benefit from the "gift of time" to mature socially, emotionally, academically, and/or physically before they begin kindergarten.

Using best practices for early childhood education, our teachers will strive to help each child ... experience the joy and wonder of God's creation and love.

- ...become familiar with a school routine.
- ...develop a love for learning and a positive attitude concerning school.
- ...begin to think independently.
- ...learn to work cooperatively with others (adults and children).
- ...develop positive self-worth.
- ...increase large and small motor skills.
- ...enhance language skills.
- ...learn and have an understanding of letters and numbers.
- ...appreciate different types of literature.
- ...understand some fundamental concepts of science.
- ...experience and appreciate cultural art forms such as music, drama, dance, and art.

PROGRAM PLAN

The Sacred Heart Academy Kinder-Prep Program consists of teacher planned lessons and activities, including American Sign Language (ASL) and Spanish. Lessons and activities are taught whole group, small group, and one on one. Center time activities offer the children choices in their learning. Lessons and activities are connected by units and themes throughout the year and fall under one or more of the following categories:

Faith Formation Reading and Writing Readiness

Language & Literacy Skills Numbers & Math Skills Sensory Motor Skills Music and Movement

Arts and Crafts Science

Social Studies Technology Integration

OUR MISSION

Sacred Heart Academy, a Catholic school founded in 1889, is committed to the mission of Jesus Christ.

With our families and faith community, we provide a balanced curriculum to strengthen mind, body, and spirit in order to fulfill God's purpose.

One Community, One Spirit, One Heart