

# Faith Lutheran School

## Jr. Kindergarten Highlights (5 Day)

### Mission Statement

*Raising up families and followers of Jesus Christ*

### Introduction

In Jr. kindergarten, we are creating a learning environment to prepare our students academically and socially for kindergarten.

### Religion

- *One in Christ* curriculum published by Concordia Publishing House
- Daily Jesus Time with weekly theme or Bible story
- Learn about God's love for us and showing it to others
- Recognize and appreciate God's creation

### Literacy Development

- Identify letters of the alphabet
- Write letters of the alphabet
- Letter sounds and identifying sounds in words
- Print awareness: left to right progression, distinguishing letters, words, sentences, etc.
- Sequencing
- Daily stories
- Predicting

### Math

- Identify and draw shapes
- Identify numerals
- Rote counting 1-31
- Counting objects 1-20
- Explore sorting, graphing, measurements using various manipulatives and classroom activities/centers
- Exposure to math terms (take away, add, equal, how many more, and comparative words)

### Science

- Learn about weather, seasons, health, plants, and animals and their habitats through alphabet and monthly themes
- Openly explore science concepts and the world around them
- Identify basic colors and explore color mixing
- Use science tools such as magnets and magnifying glasses
- Using the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) system to create project-based learning environments

### Social Studies

Developing and understanding from “Me to We” view of the world. These standards are achieved through integrating art, music, field trips, books and modeling. Faith is integrated into all areas. The areas are the following:

- My Family
- My School
- My Community
- Our Country

### **Creative Arts**

- Explore a variety of art processes using different mediums
- Sing traditional songs and songs that enhance the curriculum
- Participate in movement songs and dances
- Participate in dramatic play
- Dramatize familiar stories

### **Experiences**

- Field trips
- Library
- Chapel
- Weekly show & tell
- Special celebration days relating to letter themes (ex: Marshmallow Day, Pancakes & Pajamas Day)
- Holiday celebrations
- Leader of the day

## **Daily Schedule**

<b>AM time</b>	<b>Activity</b>
8:30	<b>Welcome Page</b> – at tables
8:35	<b>Jesus Time</b> – Bible stories, singing, and prayer
8:55	<b>Free Choice Time</b> – at centers throughout the room. There are teacher-led activities with individual students or small groups.
9:50	<b>Clean Up</b>
10:00	<b>Circle Time</b> – Calendar; review of letters, numbers, shapes, themes; math and pre-reading activities
10:20	<b>Wash Hands</b> <b>Snack</b> <b>Recess</b>
10:50	<b>Whole Group Activity</b> – Music and movement, story time, group projects
11:05	<b>Books and Puzzles</b>
11:15	<b>Goodbyes</b> – Parents may come in during our books and puzzles time to sign out their child.

**Library & PE:** one day each per week

**Chapel:** School-wide chapel sessions are on Wednesday (afternoon)

**Show & Tell:** Friday