

Faith Lutheran School

Jr. Kindergarten Highlights (5 Day)

Mission Statement

Raising up families and followers of Jesus Christ

Introduction

In Jr. kindergarten, we create a fun, engaging learning environment to prepare students academically, socially and emotionally 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 how to love and value 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.
- Rhyming
- 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 songs that enhance the curriculum
- Participate in movement songs and dances
- Participate in dramatic play
- Dramatize familiar stories

Experiences

- Field trips
- Chapel
- Show & tell
- Special celebration days relating to letter themes (ex: Donut, Pirate, and Unicorn Day)
- Holiday Celebrations
- Special Helper of the day

Daily Schedule

PM time	Activity
12:30	Welcome Page – at tables
12:35	Circle Time – Calendar; review of letters, numbers, shapes, themes; math and pre-reading activities
12:55	Free Choice Time – at centers throughout the room. There are teacher-led activities with individual students or small groups.
2:00	Clean Up
2:10	Jesus Time – Bible stories, singing, and prayer
2:25	Wash HandsSnack
2.40	Recess
3:00	Closing Circle Time- Music and movement, story and show and tell
3:15	Goodbyes

PE: Two days each per week

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