



Preparation For Starting Kindergarten

The lighthouse Church School Kindergarten will provide a foundational learning experience for you child in the areas of

CHRISTIAN CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT

 **ACADEMIC GROWTH** (reading readiness, phonics, listening skills, number skills, science and social studies topic)

ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES

(Art experiences, music and rhythms, poetry, physical education, fine and gross motor skill development)

+ All curriculum is Biblically based

The following skills serve as guidelines. A child does not need to fully master each skill in order to be able to function in kindergarten. However, mastery of these skills will facilitate learning and will help the child to cope better in kindergarten. A lack in may of these skills may cause a delay in learning

- How to hold a pencil/crayon correctly
- Stay on task for 5 minutes
- Recognize 8 primary colors
- Recognize sizes: smaller/larger
- Recognize shapes: square, circle, triangle, rectangle
- Name main body parts: head, nose, chest, back, stomach, waist, knees and ankles
- Know full name, age, Address, and telephone number
- Begin to write first name correctly
- Begin to recognize letters and numbers (out of order)
- Begin to count correctly (point to objects)
- Fasten buttons
- Begin to tie shoes
- String beads
- Zip zippers
- Do simple puzzles
- Cut properly with scissors
- Begin to copy letters and numbers
- Begin to copy symbols in sequence
- Know alphabet
- Know how to count 1-20
- Directions



- Awareness of details
- Likeness and differences
- Recognize private property
- Keep track of own property
- Put toys away in pre-designated place
- Finish what is started
- Work on task independently
- Listen to story for 15 minutes
- Able to tell main characters and concept of story
- Able to interpret pictures
- Has a respect for those in authority
- Is able to share willingly with others
- Does what is told willingly

Concepts

- Today
- Yesterday
- Tomorrow

Memory

- Nursery rhymes
- Songs
- Stories
- Count to 20

Motor skills

- Walk with good posture
- Hop on right foot and hope on left foot
- Walk on toes
- Walk backwards
- Run backward
- Hop 20 feet on a dominant foot
- Jump evenly into the air on both feet
- Jump with long rope
- Leap into the air while running
- Gallop 20 feet with the same foot leading
- Grasp and release the bars on apparatus
- Throw a ball into the air