

# WHAT WILL MY CHILD LEARN NEXT YEAR AT LIVING SAVIOUR PRESCHOOL?

\*\*\*\*(CLASSES ARE FILLING UP SO DON'T WAIT) \*\*\*\*

## Our Philosophy

Living Saviour Lutheran Preschool believes that each child is fearfully and wonderfully made (Psalm 139:14). During a child's earliest years of life there are many "windows of opportunity" for learning and developing that are unique to their specific age group. God designed a child's brain to grow more during these first few years than at any other time and patterns are developed in these formative years that will affect the child's growth and development forever. Our Preschool program is designed to meet each student's unique developmental needs by offering a stimulating hands-on approach to the learning environment and curriculum. This encourages appropriate development for the child's intellectual ability, emotional stability, social competency, and spiritual awareness and maturity.

## Program Goals

- Nurture young children into being confident and eager to learn
- Teamwork with parents and respect them as being the primary and most important provider of care
- Create an environment that is responsive to the child's INDIVIDUAL needs
- Provide developmentally appropriate activities to enhance and refine children's learning
- Integrate all areas of learning with a biblical worldview

## Curriculum

Literature (all ages) – Our language arts/ literacy curriculum uses literature and thematic units to develop comprehension, phonological awareness, alphabetic principles and concepts about print in a meaningful and developmentally appropriate manner. We engage the students in a fun interactive environment, to develop all their language skills (speaking, listening, reading, and writing)!

Handwriting (3 year olds/4 year olds) –The Handwriting Without Tears® This program incorporates child-friendly teaching strategies, such as using music and movement to bring lessons to life, and multisensory manipulatives to build fine and gross motor skills. Our readiness and writing lessons teach body awareness, cooperation, taking turns, listening, crayon grip, drawing, building, letter and number recognition, capital letter and number formation.

Science (all ages) – Our students will engage in science experiences that will allow them to explore, experiment, predict, observe, and communicate ideas and findings using teacher planned and open-ended hands-on science activities. (4 year olds) Science Spin magazine gets your students interested in the science topics that we will be teaching. This monthly magazine connects incredible real-world science stories to our curriculum. Online videos, science review games, and skills sheets are also included with every issue to help us build scientific literacy and analytical thinking skills in your child.

Mathematics (4 year olds) – Math Their Way The goal of the activities in this book is to develop understanding and insight of the patterns of mathematics through the use of concrete materials. The activities are designed to help young children see relationships and interconnections in mathematics and to enable them to deal flexibly with mathematical ideas and concepts.

Physical development and social/behavioral skills are particularly important in Pre-K. In fact, children need to develop both fine and gross motor skills to be able to write. All these skills are critical to good emotional and social development and future academic performance.