# 4 YEAR OLD PRE-KINDERGARTEN An Environment of Creativity, Imagination, Exploration, and Discovery

Trinity Christian Academy's Pre-Kindergarten fosters a love of learning in a language-rich, Christ-centered environment as it prepares children for kindergarten. Our program provides biblical instruction that stimulates creativity and imagination while encouraging children to grow through exploration and discovery. Children are nurtured to develop emotionally, socially, intellectually, physically, and spiritually.

# The goal of our Pre-Kindergarten is to provide a biblical foundation and foster a love of learning while preparing children for a successful kindergarten year.

#### **Class Options**

Two Full Days (TTh): Three Full Days (MWF): Five Full Days 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. (After School Care is available until 5:30 p.m.) 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. (After School Care is available until 5:30 p.m.) (see Junior Kindergarten)

## Class Size

The maximum class size is 16 students, with a teacher and an aide.

## Age Requirement

Children entering Pre-Kindergarten must be four years old by August 1st of the school year they enroll. Entrance testing to determine readiness is required for our Pre-Kindergarten students.

Curriculum Area	Skill or Activity
Bible	Listen to Old and New Testament stories; integrate Scripture through all disciplines; memorize Bible verses
Phonics and Literature	Participate and listen during reading activities, stories, and songs; recognize letters and letter sounds; enjoy quality literature; memorize poetry; <i>Letterland</i>
Writing	Continue to develop good habits for prewriting skills: correct posture, pencil grip, large and fine motor development, and hand-eye coordination
Mathematics	Recognize shapes and numbers; count, sort, and draw simple patterns; develop cognitive reasoning skills
Science/Nature Studies	Explore nature, animals, and the five senses
Calendar and Geography	Understand days, weeks, months, years; identify own city, state, and country; introduce geographical terms and weather
History	Introduce Kentucky history, pioneer days in America, knights and castles, and transportation
Fine Arts	Stimulate creativity through various artistic forms (painting, playdough, watercolor, collage, etc.) to promote fine motor skills and encourage imagination; learn about artists such as Matisse, Michelangelo, Monet, O'Keefe, Picasso, and Van Gogh
Music	Sing and memorize songs; learn hymns, enjoy rhythm activities, explore large and small movement to music, and improve listening skills
Physical Education	Develop gross motor skills through free play, recess, and creative movement activities, and motor lab

