

Kindergarten Student Readiness Checklist

Miss Carter's Kindergarten Class | 2024 - 2025



Dear Parents/Guardians,

Greetings! My name is Miss Carter and I will be your child's Kindergarten teacher for the 2024 - 2025 academic school year. This school year will be filled with lots of learning and fun adventures as we have the opportunity to enhance your child's growth and development. As we prepare for the upcoming school year, I wanted to take a moment to outline the kindergarten curriculum that we will be following. We are so excited about the learning opportunities that lie ahead for your child!

Curriculum Overview:

- ✿ **Language Arts:** Our language arts curriculum focuses on building foundational skills in phonics reading, writing, speaking, and listening. Students will engage in phonics instruction, sight word recognition, storytelling activities, and writing assignments to foster a love for fluent reading.
- ✿ **Mathematics:** In mathematics, we will explore numbers, shapes, patterns, and basic arithmetic concepts. Through hands-on activities and game-based learning, students will develop problem-solving skills and mathematical reasoning.
- ✿ **Science:** Kindergarteners will discover the wonders of the natural world through our science curriculum. They will explore topics such as plants, animals, weather, and basic scientific principles through experiments and observations.
- ✿ **Social Studies:** Our social studies curriculum introduces students to concepts that allow them to understand the world around them. They will learn about community helpers, historical figures, important major events, holidays, maps, and basic social concepts to promote an understanding of our diverse society.
- ✿ **Specials (Art Education, Dance Education, Music Education, & Physical Education):** In Kindergarten, art education introduces children to creativity and self-expression through various forms of artistic activities like drawing, painting, crafting, and sculpting. Music education helps students explore rhythms and melodies through singing, playing instruments, and movement activities. Kindergarten students will also engage in dance education to explore physical expression through movement, rhythm, and coordination. Physical education helps children develop coordination, balance, gross/fine motor skills, and teamwork through fun activities and interactive games.

Daily Classroom Schedule:

Our daily classroom schedule will include a balance of explicit teaching, teacher-directed activities, whole group discussions, small group instruction, one-on-one interventions, independent work, play-based/cooperative learning, and individual exploration. We understand the importance of nurturing each child's unique strengths and interests while building a strong academic foundation.

Parental & Family Involvement:

Your involvement in your child's education is highly significant to their success and academic achievement! Your support is greatly needed, both inside and outside of the classroom, to extend learning beyond the classroom and promote ongoing growth at home. We encourage open communication and welcome your questions, feedback, and participation in school activities and events throughout the school year. We greatly appreciate your continuous support and cooperation!

Conclusion:

In our classroom, curriculum and instruction is developed to promote student academic achievement and to enhance the academic experiences and educational outcomes of students. We are committed to providing a positive, inclusive, and supportive learning environment where every child can thrive and students will feel safe, happy, valued, loved, motivated, and challenged! We are so excited to have your child as apart of our class and the Gems family this school year! I am looking forward to partnering with you to ensure a successful kindergarten experience for your child. Please do not hesitate and feel free to reach out to me with any questions or concerns at any point during this school year. Again, I am here to support you and your child every step of the way!!! ♥ ♥ ♥