

# GRACE EPISCOPAL DAY SCHOOL

CURRICULUM GUIDE



Grace is a joyful environment where students are eager to learn, and Christ-like values are lived. Our campus fosters a sense of wonder through hands-on exploration and discovery, with a special emphasis on the beauty of our outdoor spaces. By nurturing the mind, body, and spirit of each student, we deepen the connections that positively impact our community.

We believe that education is meaningful work and are deeply committed to developing the whole child.



## LANGUAGE ARTS

- Develop print awareness, phonemic awareness, and alphabet knowledge.
- Introduce basic oral comprehension strategies such as predicting, sequencing, retelling, illustrating, visualizing, and rhyming.
- Recognize first and last name.
- Introduce basic sight words and decoding skills.

## MATH

- Develop number awareness and formation of numbers 0-20.
- Develop number patterns and relationships.
- Introduce measurement, graphing, money, time, and 3D shapes.
- Introduce basic addition and subtraction through use of manipulatives.

## SCIENCE

- Observe and investigate plants, animals, and weather.
- Describe what living things need to grow.
- Learn about the cycles of life and life changes.

## SOCIAL STUDIES

- Develop social skills and responsibility.
- Develop concepts about the self, family, community, community helpers, holidays, and people and places around the world.

## FINE AND GROSS MOTOR DEVELOPMENT

- Demonstrate body and self-awareness.
- Use appropriate gross motor skills when running, jumping, throwing, and catching.
- Develop fine motor skills through replicating shapes, drawing people, printing short words and name.

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

- Practice talking to God through prayer.
- Learn about celebrations in the church calendar (Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter).

## ART

- Practice using scissors.
- Use a variety of art mediums to create works of art.

## MUSIC

- Experiment with a variety of instruments and sources of sound.
- Respond to music through movement.

## LIBRARY

- Learn the proper care of library books and begin to understand expected library manners.
- Explore developmentally appropriate children's literature through interactive storytime sessions that include music, movement, and crafts.

## SPANISH

- Understand that our world is made up of many places where people speak different languages.
- Implement a routine for attendance, prayer, greetings, weather and feelings.
- Learn basic manners and understand basic classroom instructions.
- Practice counting up to 20.
- Express simple likes and dislikes.
- Introduce the concept of grammatical gender.
- Focus on vocabulary units such as animals, body parts, family, clothing, colors, and food.
- Complete a cultural mini-unit on one specific Spanish-speaking country each quarter.

## WELLNESS

- Practice calming breaths.
- Learn appropriate personal space.
- Practice age appropriate social skills such as sharing and taking turns.

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DEVELOP ENGAGED LEARNERS AND CONFIDENT LEADERS  
WHO SINCERELY MODEL THE LOVE OF CHRIST.