

Curriculum:

HighScope Curriculum

The HighScope Curriculum is uniquely designed to provide a rich academic foundation while promoting independence, decision making, cooperation, creativity, and problem solving in young children. The HighScope Curriculum includes learning objectives, effective adult interaction strategies, and assessment measures that help programs ensure a high-quality experience for *all* learners.

What We Teach

Grounded in current child development theory and research, the HighScope Infant-Toddler Curriculum is evidence-based. Our framework for understanding and supporting infants' and toddlers' learning from birth to age three is based on 42 key developmental indicators (KDIs) which align with national and state early learning guidelines and the Head Start Early Learning Outcomes Framework.

In the HighScope Infant-Toddler Curriculum, learning is focused on these six content areas:

- Approaches to Learning
- Social and Emotional Development
- Physical Development and Health
- Communication, Language, and Literacy
- Cognitive Development
- Creative Arts

In the HighScope Preschool Curriculum, learning is focused on the following eight content areas:

- Approaches to Learning
- Social and Emotional Development
- Physical Development and Health
- Language, Literacy, and Communication
- Mathematics
- Creative Arts
- Science and Technology
- Social Studies

Classrooms Descriptions:

Infant Program - Our program for children age 6 weeks to 14 months emphasizes individualized care by loving, nurturing caregivers who are responsive to the needs of each growing child. They provide for each stage in your infant's development-encouraging language acquisition, appropriate social interaction, and sound physical growth - all in a colorful, multi-sensory environment.

Young Toddler Program - Our program for toddlers (14-24 months) recognizes this stage of your child's growth as one of curiosity and exploration. Teachers concentrate on developmental goals of this age. Our environment is specially designed so children can explore and play together as they begin their understanding of socially appropriate behavior.

Older Toddler Program - Our program for two year-olds offers a secure, loving environment, with an established routine and schedule. Weekly themes are introduced which incorporate the developmental goals of the program. This begins the process of a structured day where planned educational activities and creative play time offer a balance in your two year-olds development. We create a learning program using resources from High Scope Curriculum that focuses on exposure to shapes, colors, and numbers. Other areas include: sharing and conversation time; stories, songs, and fingerplays: creative art activities, crafts, games and large muscle activities; food prep, science and nature activities.

Preschool Program - Our exciting curriculum is designed to balance work and play to awaken a student's love of learning. The emphasis of this program is on providing for the foundational development of positive self-image, and providing continual, developmentally appropriate cognitive instruction and exploration. The Pre-K program is fairly structured and academic. Hands-on and manipulative activities will help focus your child's readiness skills and prepare them for an academic Kindergarten.