

Kids Under Construction
Preschool and Construction Zone
(Extended Care)

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Albuquerque, N.M. 87111
293-4448

Hours of Operation:
Construction Zone 7:30-6:00

Class Schedules:
Mon./Weds. Classes 9:00-12:00
M/W/F a.m. Classes 9:00-12:00
M/W/F a.m. Classes 9:00-1:00
Tues./Thurs. a.m. Classes 9:00-12:00
Tues./Thurs. a.m. Classes 9:00-1:00

Visit our webpage at kucipreschool.com or you may email us at
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Kids Under Construction is accredited by the Association of Christian Schools International. We are licensed through CYFD and hold a five star license.

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WHO'S WHO AT KIDS UNDER CONSTRUCTION

All KUCI staff are carefully chosen to meet the philosophy of the school. Each teacher seeks out excellence in making his/her classroom a positive learning environment. Additionally, all staff members meet the requirements as spelled out in the New Mexico State Licensing Regulations for the operation of Preschool and Day Care.

The administrative staff of Kids Under Construction are:

Director
Business Director

Terri Machin
Annabelle Longoria

Kids Under Construction is accredited by the Association of Christian Schools International. We hold a five star license with the State of New Mexico and regulated by CYFD. Our license number is 7252. This agency regularly inspects this facility. Kids Under Construction, Inc. is governed by a Board of Directors:

Tom Toevs
Elaine Prentice
Susan O'Bryan
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Linda Coble
Rebecca Toevs
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KUCI is an outreach ministry of St. Stephens United Methodist Church.

STATEMENT OF FAITH

- We believe in one God, who is eternal and exists in three persons known as The Trinity: The Father, The Son and The Holy Spirit.
- We believe in the deity and the humanity of Christ: He was fully God and fully man. We believe in His virgin birth, His sinless life, His miracles, and His vicarious and atoning death. We believe in His Resurrection. We believe He ascended into Heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father.
- We believe that the presence of the Holy Spirit dwells within all believers to share the Good News of Jesus Christ to dedicate themselves to living godly lives.
- We believe the Bible to be the absolute inspired true word of God.
- We believe Christ desires to have a personal relationship with all persons, regardless of age, origin, or sin.
- We believe that the Church is the Body of Christ, enlivened and empowered by the Holy Spirit to accomplish God's purposes on earth.

PHILOSOPHY

Kids Under Construction, Inc. (KUCI) is a Christian education center committed to providing Biblically based, developmentally appropriate preschool programming in a nurturing, Christ-centered environment. We believe:

- Children are to be taught the love of Jesus through Christian based curricula and through the loving care of teachers who are called to this ministry.
- Children are to be directed toward values and behaviors that demonstrate their own love of Jesus through faith-centered teaching and loving discipline.
- Children are to be prepared for school through educational approaches that emphasize basic skills to prepare them for reading, math, and problem-solving through Biblical curriculum.
- Each child is a unique creation, a child of God, whose individual gifts and aptitudes should be encouraged, within a structured environment.

We believe that God has created each person in His image. We also believe in the biblical standards that He speaks of in defining a family. His word speaks clearly of how we are to live a moral, ethical life. Galatians 5: 19-22

Proverbs 22:6

Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it.

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Kids Under Construction is to provide a loving, caring, safe environment that fosters the spiritual, emotional, social and cognitive growth of the child through a Christian approach and to function as an outreach ministry of St. Stephen's United Methodist Church by nurturing the families of the children enrolled as well as the children themselves.

All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching.
2 Timothy 3:16

CURRICULUM STATEMENT

We believe that each child is a unique creation, a child of God. Children experience learning through various activities including through play. Positive reinforcement will be practiced as part of a program that includes self-selection as well as teacher-directed activities in music, art, language, motor development, science, creative play, and sensory experiences.

DISCIPLINE & GUIDANCE POLICY

Kids Under Construction follows the discipline procedures as outlined in the “Child Care Regulations” for the State of New Mexico.

Because we believe that each child is a unique creation of God and therefore entrusted to us to be shown His love, we strive to guide children in a manner that is gentle and loving.

We believe:

- Discipline provides training that enables a child to develop self-control and orderly conduct in relation to peers and adults.
- Discipline should be clear and understandable to the child, be consistent, and be explained to the child before and at the time of disciplinary action.
- Discipline shall include positive guidance, redirection, and the setting of clear cut limits which foster the child’s own ability to become self disciplined.

The following disciplinary practices are never used:

- Physical punishment of any type
- Withdrawal of food, rest, or bathroom opportunities
- Abusive or profane language
- Any form of public or private humiliation including the threat of physical punishment
- Unsupervised isolation of the child
- Any other type of punishment that is hazardous to the physical, emotional, or mental health of the child.

Confidentiality Policy

All staff members of Kids Under Construction are trained on the importance of confidentiality, and sign a confidentiality statement, which is kept in their personnel files.

2009-2010 Preschool Fees

Preschool Classes The following tuition may be paid in full at a discounted rate (which will be due by September 10, 2010) or you may pay monthly over a nine-month period (Sept. - May). The first payment is due on the first day of school. Tuition is paid in full regardless of absences due to holidays, illness, vacation time, or closures due to weather or other circumstances beyond our control.

Registration Fees for all preschool classes are \$100.00 per school year. There is no discount for registration fees and all registration fees are non-refundable.

PRESCHOOL FEES

2-day-a-week classes 9:00-12:00

Two's MW

Young 3's T/Th

Three's T/Th

Tuition	\$1,485.00
If paid in full	\$1,410.75
Monthly payment	\$ 165.00

3-day week classes

MWF Three's 9:00-12:00

Tuition	\$1,935.00
If paid in full	\$1,838.25
Monthly payment	\$ 215.00

2 – day week classes

T-Th Four's 9:00-1:00

Tuition	\$1,890.00
If paid in full	\$1,795.50
Monthly payment	\$ 210.00

3 day Pre-K Fours/Fives

MWF 9:00 - 1:00

Tuition	\$2,475.00
If paid in full	\$2,351.25
Monthly payment	\$ 275.00

FULL TIME MONTHLY RATE

\$600.00
(Preschool and Construction Zone)

Construction Zone Hourly Rate \$4.00 per hour

PROGRAM AND CLASS SCHEDULE

KUCI offers preschool classes for children ages 2 to 5 years old. This includes Pre-Kindergarten, but not Kindergarten classes. We also provide extended care (Construction Zone) for children enrolled at KUCI, based upon availability.

We believe that each child is a unique creation - a child of God. Positive reinforcement is practiced as part of the program that includes self-selection as well as teacher-directed activities. Music, art, pre-math skills, language and motor development, science, creative play and sensory experiences, and a balance of quiet and active times are a part of our program.

KUCI CLASSES

2 Year Old Program M/W a.m..

(2 by September 30, 2010)

***CANNOT START UNTIL 2 YRS OF AGE. MUST PAY TUITION TO HOLD SPOT*

Young 3s Program - Tues./Th. a.m.

(3 by March 31, 2011)

3 Year Old Program T/Th & M/W/F a.m. 9:00-12:00

(3 by September 30, 2010)

Pre-K 4's Program M/W/F a.m. 9:00-1:00

(4 by September 30, 2010)

PreK 5's Program T-Th am 9:00-1:00

(5 by December 31, 2010)

PreK 5's Program M/W/F a.m. 9:00-1:00

(5 by December 31, 2010)

(Some classes may have several offered.)

*****ALL CLASSES ARE CONTINGENT UPON ENROLLMENT*****

ALL CHILDREN MUST BE COMPLETELY POTTY-TRAINED (NO PULL-UPS) WITH THE EXCEPTION OF 2S AND YOUNG 3S

Construction Zone

Kids Under Construction offers extended care for children enrolled in our program who are completely potty trained. We call this our "Construction Zone"... where we're helping to build happy kids! Construction Zone is open from 7:30am to 6:00pm. Your child will be picked up and dropped off to and from Construction Zone by their teacher. *Any child picked up after 6:00 p.m. will be charged an additional \$1.00 per minute after 6:00. Consistent abuse of this rule may result in suspension of Construction Zone privileges.

Construction Zone Fees

Registration Fee: \$35.00

Hourly Rate: \$ 4.00

Construction Zone hours will be invoiced at the end of the month and the amount due can be added to your preschool payment. Please note: Your bill must be paid in full by the 10th of the month. If not paid in full a late fee of \$5.00 will be added to your bill. Please see financial agreement for more information regarding payment.

Full-Time Rates

Children attending Preschool and Construction Zone may qualify for a reduced rate if they are on the premises a minimum of 8 hours per day, 5 days a week. The cost is \$600.00 per month, which includes Preschool tuition and ensures the child a permanent space in the Construction Zone program. Registration for the Full Time Program is \$135.00. This full-time rate takes into account a reduced charge for Construction Zone. If your child's schedule changes to less than full-time, reevaluation of payment will be discussed. ***YOU CANNOT CHANGE FROM MONTH TO MONTH.***

Any returned checks will be charged a \$20.00 fee. Continual returned checks will require subsequent payment in cash.

We are always happy to go over your account with you. If you are on a plan at work that requires a statement from us for reimbursement; please give us 48 hours notice.

SCHOOL SCHEDULE

Twos M/W.....	9:00-12:00
Young 3's T/Th.....	9:00-12:00
Three's M/W/F.....	9:00-12:00
Three's T/Th.....	9:00-12:00
T/Th Pre-K 4s.....	9:00-1:00
M/W/F Pre-K 4's & 5's	9:00-1:00

Construction Zone hours are:
7:30 a.m. until 6:00 p.m.

DROP OFF & PICK UP OF STUDENTS

- Please park in designated parking lot.
- Do not leave any valuables (including children) unattended in your car.
- Please do not bring your child earlier than (FIVE) 5 MINUTES BEFORE CLASS BEGINS
- Please walk your child to his/her class and remember to sign them in and out. Never send your child in unattended.
- Please be prompt in picking up your child. If you will be late, please call us so we can reassure your child. If you are late, your child will be taken to Day Care and you will be charged a \$5.00 fee in addition to the regular \$4.00 per hour.
- Your child/children will only be released to you or someone you have designated IN WRITING on the enrollment form as being authorized to pick up your child/children. We will ask for a photo I.D. of anyone (other than parent) who picks up a child.
- Once your child has been released to your care, you are responsible for your child . Please make sure your child does not leave the building without you.

SECURITY

Kids Under Construction wants to provide the safest environment possible for your child. It is important for you to be a part of this process. The security system that protects our school is through a security code issued to you on the first day of school. This code is to be kept confidential to insure the safety of the children. If you forget the code or someone is picking your child up, please have them ring the buzzer. You will have to be identified before we allow entry. This may take a few minutes. Please do not allow anyone to enter with you, that you do not know or does not appear to be a part of our school. We would also ask you to be aware of surroundings around the school. If there is anything that seems suspicious, please report it immediately to the office. *PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE VALUABLES (this includes children) IN YOUR VEHICLE UNATTENDED.*

CHILD CUSTODY

For parents who are separated or divorced, KUCI *must* have a copy of any legal documentation, **ON SITE**, concerning visitation and/or custody situations. Any changes that take place must be kept updated with administration.

EMERGENCY PLAN

Of course emergencies can never be anticipated, but rest assured KUCI has an emergency evacuation plan in place in the event that one was to happen. We will contact parents as to where you can pick up your child or you can call our school and there will be a message with instructions. (505) 293-4448



SNOW DAYS

Kids Under Construction follows the Albuquerque Public School schedule: (These are APS schools enclosed in Albuquerque city limits, not surrounding areas.) KOAT channel 7 will also post this on their website.

If APS closes due to bad weather, KUCI is closed.

If APS is on a *delayed* schedule, KUCI will observe the following schedule:

Morning Classes (9:00-12:00)

11:00-12:45

Morning classes (9:00 to 1:00)

11:00- 2:00

CONSTRUCTION ZONE WILL OPEN ON ABBREVIATED SCHEDULE AT 9:30 A.M.

If you are not sure of the school's schedule, please call first to see if we are on an abbreviated schedule or if we have closed. There will be a recorded message regarding the schedule of the day.

(505) 293-4448.

ENROLLMENT AND DISENROLLMENT

Enrollment

Registration requirements are as follows:

- Current immunization records at the time of registration
- Birth certificate verification
- Completed registration form including: physicians phone number, emergency contacts and phone numbers, and authorized persons allowed to pick up your child
- Copies of any custody agreements
- Signed financial agreement form, and payment of registration fee(s).

Disenrollment

KUCI reserves the right, as circumstances may arise, to discharge a child from the program at the discretion of the Director and the child's teacher. Parents will be consulted and every effort will be made to avoid a discharge.

- Possible reasons for discharge include: persistent disruptive behavior, behavior which the teacher is not equipped to handle, or behavior which is a clear hazard to other students or staff.
- A child may be disenrolled if parents fail to abide by the enrollment agreement and/or conditions described in the handbook. KUCI reserves the right to disenroll a child if payment is delinquent over 30 days.
- If you plan to remove your child from KUCI, notify the Director in writing at least two weeks in advance. Without this notice, you will be charged for the two additional weeks.

COMMUNICATION WITH PARENTS

- Each month the Director sends home a newsletter informing you of events going on within the school.
- A "Today We" paper will be sent home daily with your child to inform you of the day's activities as well as what they ate for snack.
- The teachers will also communicate with you via a parent letter letting you know specifically what is going on in the class and upcoming events.

CONFERENCES

We provide conferences twice a year for you to hear how your child is doing. We encourage all of you to take advantage of this time. It is a great opportunity to hear how your children are advancing and growing, and also a time for you to ask questions. We are always available to schedule a time to visit with you if you have concerns.

TYPICAL ACTIVITIES IN CLASSROOM

Your child's teacher will have posted outside their room a basic schedule of what takes place each day. Each class follows a specific schedule each day, and activities vary each school day. The "Today We.." sheet you receive each day will give you a better understanding of what was done. Each class participates in circle time, project/self-selection time, outdoor play, snack, show and tell, music, and Chapel. There is a sample schedule listed in back of handbook to give you an idea of these schedules.

Construction Zone has a schedule posted outside their door as well.

FIELD TRIPS

The Pre-K Fives Class in our preschool periodically have field trips related to the theme that is being carried out in the classroom. Parents are always notified of field trips and are required to sign a permission slip in order to have their child participate. We encourage parents to sign up as chaperones for the trip; however, we ask that you *do not* bring siblings along. Chaperones need to devote all their attention on the children for whom they are responsible.

SCHOOL-WIDE ACTIVITIES

KUCI plans several school-wide activities throughout the school year. Parents are encouraged to volunteer in all events. In the fall, we have a Harvest Festival; completely transforming our multipurpose room into a festive learning environment. At Christmas, the children prepare a traditional singing program for the families. And in the spring we pick a theme to once again transform our multipurpose room into a hands-on learning experience. Your child's teacher will inform you as these events begin to take shape.

PARENT INVOLVEMENT

Outside of our school-wide activities and parent/teacher conferences, we offer opportunities for you to be a part of your child's activities within the Classroom, especially when we are working on special projects. During these activities, we ask that you make arrangements for siblings, as we are unable to accommodate them within the Classroom.

CHAPEL

Once a week the children gather in the church sanctuary for Chapel. The program includes Bible stories, Bible verses, puppets, visuals, singing, and praying as well as church etiquette. This is a very special time for the children, as they hear and learn how to worship God. Please take the time to ask your child what they've learned in Chapel each week.

MUSIC

You may already know that early musical training helps develop brain areas involved in language and reasoning, spatial intelligence, thinking creatively, and problem – solving. Music enhances teamwork skills and discipline. But did you know that studies show children who participate in music between the ages of 2 – 6 not only do better in Math and Science, but test better on their SATs in high school? Our music ministry's goal includes all this, but is also focused on spiritual development through self-expression, and lots of Christian music. Our music classes are full of interesting and diverse exercises and songs. We play with everything from rhythm instruments to puppets to paper plates! We have so much fun the children don't even know their learning!

BIRTHDAYS

Celebrating children is BIG at our school and birthdays are a great way to do this on an individual basis. Your teacher will give you guidelines. If you are planning a birthday party for your child and you want to invite children in the class, please do not pass out invitations at school if the entire class is not invited. You are welcome to pass them out at school only if you are inviting all boys or all girls. We appreciate your cooperation in this.

SNACK

Your child will bring home a monthly snack calendar in which the teacher has assigned your child a specific day to bring a healthy snack and drink for the class. Please do not send anything with peanut butter in it. We are a “peanut free” school due to allergies. Below you will find a list of snack ideas.

Drinks:

100% Fruit Juice
Whole or 2% Milk



Food:

Fresh Fruit (cut up)
Raisins
Dried Fruit
Carrot/celery sticks with or without dressing
Celery stuffed with cheese or cream cheese
Cheese sticks or cubes with crackers
Granola bars
Popcorn
Kabob snack of fruit & cheese cubes
Tortilla with cheese or butter
Breads
Muffins
Pretzels
Yogurt
100% Fruit Snacks
Applesauce



BIRTHDAY SNACKS

We do allow the children to bring in either cupcakes or cookies for their birthday celebration. This is the only exception. Please make sure that only milk accompanies a sugared snack.

“Let the little children come to Me and do not hinder them, for the Kingdom of God belongs to such as these.”

Mark 10:14

WHAT TO BRING

Clothing:

- Your child should wear comfortable, machine washable clothing that can be handled by the child (no complicated fastenings) and will be appropriate for active work and play. We do provide smocks for artwork and other messy activities, however children still may get something on their clothing, so dress your child accordingly.
- Please have your daughter wear shorts under her dress/skirt.
- Closed-toe shoes are encouraged, to protect the children as they climb and play on the playground. Sandals and open-toe shoes have led to several injuries.
- Always send a jacket with your child during the cooler months. We do go outside and play most days. The only exception is during extreme weather conditions. So please dress your child appropriately.
- Please label all jackets, backpacks, and other items.
- Send a change of clothing for your child - just in case. You can keep them in your child's backpack.

Backpack:

Please send a backpack or tote bag with your child's name visible on the outside. Make sure it is large enough to carry home folders with their work, projects, and an extra set of clothing.

Toys:

We ask that all toys be left at home since they might get lost or broken. If your child is bringing something for show and tell please make sure that they are not items such as guns, war toys, or toys of destruction/aggression. We will not allow them to share these items. If your child needs a special comfort blanket or stuffed animal, please feel free to send it with him/her.

SAFETY AND WELLNESS

Illness:

Kids Under Construction uses the “well child policy”. For the protection of other children and staff, any child that appears to be ill will not be admitted to the classroom or Construction Zone. You are requested not to bring a child who has symptoms of illness such as a fever, rash, diarrhea, runny nose and/or cough (cold symptoms which are transmittable to others). Please allow one full day after your child’s recovery before his/her return to the program. A recovering child must be free from fever at least 24 hours before returning. Please call office if your child will be absent. We can be reached at 293-4448. Children who become ill during the day will be separated from the other children and parents will be contacted to pick them up.

Medication:

Kids Under Construction will administer medication to your child when necessary. We are only able to give medication that has been prescribed by a doctor. In order for us to administer, you will need to fill out a medication form with the dosage documented.

- All medicine to be administered must be in its original container.
- All medication is to be kept in the office with the medication form filled out.

*****DO NOT PUT MEDICATION IN LUNCH BOXES OR BACKPACKS.**
THIS INCLUDES INHALERS.***

Sunscreen: KUCI prefers that each parent apply sunscreen daily to his or her own child. If additional sunscreen is needed during the day, please sign a form and supply sunscreen to the teacher with child’s name visible on outside.

Accidents/Injuries:

If your child has a minor accident at school, (scraped knee, etc.) a staff member will notify you when you pick up your child. We keep documentation of these accidents on file. If a child receives a more serious injury, after we have assessed the situation, we will call the parent, and of course 911 if necessary. Our staff is CPR/First Aid certified.

IMMUNIZATIONS

In accordance with State Licensing Regulations, KUCI must have current immunization records at time of registration. Please see chart below for current schedule.

<u>Age</u>	<u>Immunization</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Immunization</u>
2 Months	DTP/Polio/HIB/HepB	15 Months	DTP/Polio/HIB/MMR/VAR
4 Months	DTP/Polio/HIB/HepB	4-6 Years	DTP/Polio/MMR
6 Months	TRP/HIB/HepB	14-16 Years	Tb (repeat every 10yrs)

SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT

KUCI staff members are required by law to report suspected cases of child abuse or neglect. Staff members are to report to the Director any unexplained injury, incident, or behavior that may indicate abuse.

KUCI TWO YEAR-OLD/YOUNG THREE'S PROGRAM

Spiritual

- Weekly chapel (Bible stories, songs, prayers)
- Recite Bible verses
- Daily prayer time

Social

- Cooperation and interaction with others in a structured learning environment
- Free play at learning centers
- Encouragement in self-help skills, taking turns, expressing needs verbally and following directions

Physical Development

- Outside play time with climbing, running, pulling, and pushing
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Skills

- Small muscle development through use of play dough, scissors, puzzles, painting, coloring, gluing, etc.

Vocabulary and Verbal Communication Development

- Sharing, story time, puppets, blocks, dress-up and dramatic play
- Cooking activities

Number readiness

- Introduction to counting

Music

- Music class once a week
- Use of rhythm instruments
- Movement to music

KUCI 3-YEAR-OLD PROGRAM

KUCI understands and respects that each child is unique, and will develop at a different pace. We are committed to meeting each child's individual developmental needs. Please remember it is important not to compare them to other children.

Spiritual

- Weekly Chapel (Bible stories, songs, prayer)
- Reciting of Bible verses
- Daily prayer time
- Sharing of Bible stories through puppets, books, etc.
- Listening to and singing Christian songs throughout day
- Developing concepts of who God is and how much He loves them

Social

- Plays cooperatively/ learns teamwork
- Able to follow simple rules
- Dramatic play
- Uses good manners
- Able to obey safety rules (ex. fire drills, walking not running)
- Expresses his/her feelings appropriately
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Developmental Learning

- Counting (1-10)
- Counting to rhymes and finger plays
- Matching objects with pictures
- Categorizing
- Sequencing
- Special words (up, over, under, top, bottom)
- Development of language and how it works
- Understanding the meaning of words (soft, hard, hot, cold)
- Writes using scribbles, lines and circles
- Recognition of colors and shapes

Fine Motor Skills

- Puzzles
 - Cutting
 - Play-Doh
- Manipulatives
Pencil Grip
Coloring

Gross Motor Skills

- Running, marching
- Practicing bouncing, throwing, catching a ball
- Developing coordination to climb playground equipment and pedal tricycles
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Music

- Music class once a week
- Rhythm, singing, listening, movement
- Use of rhythm instruments
- Annual Thanksgiving and Christmas show (presentation)

Art

- Paint at the easel, finger-painting
- Cutting, pasting, tearing

KUCI FOURS PRE-K PROGRAM

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Spiritual

- Weekly Chapel (Bible stories, songs, prayer)
- Reciting Bible verses
- Daily prayer time
- Sharing Bible stories through dramatization, books, and selected projects
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Social

- Participating in group activities
- Working cooperatively with children and adults
- Problem-solving
- Learning to stay on task
- Using good manners
- Following directions
- Learning to respect school property and taking care of school materials; learning to take responsibility for independence (hanging up coat, backpack, care of toys, cleaning up room)
- Following safety rules (eg: fire drills, walking not running, permission to leave room only with adult supervision, etc.)

Number Readiness

- Rote counting to 20
- Using and understanding 1-10 (eg: relate groups of objects to number)
- Exposure to address and phone number
- Simple measurement
- Calendar activities

Language

- Learning to speak clearly and in sentences
- Demonstrating ability to listen for specific purpose: directions for games, activities, stories, poems, music
- Making relevant verbal contribution in small group discussion
- Verbalizing songs and finger plays
- Having fun with rhyming skills
- Participating in dramatizations
- Seeing likenesses and differences

Reading Readiness

- Exposure to upper-lower case letters (exposure not pressure)
- Recognizing name
- Developing interest in printing first name
- Becoming aware of positional terms such as: top-bottom, front-back, up-down
- Fun with beginning consonant sounds
- Fun with sequencing matching and categorizing
- Enjoys looking at books, listening to stories and poems
- Following along in listening centers

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PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT:

Gross Motor

- Walking backwards, running smoothly, marching, skipping, galloping, and hopping
- Works on using crayon and pencil with control within defined area
- Practices bouncing, throwing, and catching a ball
- Develops coordination to climb playground equipment and pedal tricycles

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Fine Motor

- Works puzzle up to 10 pieces
- Works on using crayon and pencil with control within defined area
- Introduce connecting dotted outline to make shape
- Plays with manipulative (beads, legos, etc.)
- Pencil grip and scissor skills

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Shapes Colors and Cutting

- Knowledge of basic shapes - square, circle, rectangle, triangle, oval
- Knowledge of 8 basic colors

Science

- Seasonal and weather activities
- Simple experiments
- Animals/insects in room (metamorphosis)
- Plants in room
- Nature walks
- Cooking in large group
- Awareness of self (5-senses, parts of body)
- Hands-on science exhibits to encourage participation (eg: magnets, magnifying glass, etc.)

Music

- Music class once a week
- Use of instruments in and out of classroom
- Annual Christmas show (presentation)
- Movement to music

Art

- All types painting (individual, mural) including easel and finger-painting
- Cutting, pasting, tearing
- Drawing with markers, chalk, crayons
- Collage, paper-mache
- Puppets

KUCI FIVES PRE-K PROGRAM

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Spiritual

- Weekly Chapel (Bible stories, songs, prayer)
- Scripture memorization
- Sharing Bible stories through dramatizations, books, and selected projects

Social

- Participates in group activities
- Works and plays cooperatively with children and adults
- Works independently and completes tasks
- Uses good manners, shows empathy towards others, problem-solving
- Follows directions
- Learns to respect school property and takes responsibility for independence
- Follows safety rules

Math Readiness

- Recognizing 1-20 (in and out of sequence)
- Practicing writing numbers 1-20
- Knows address and phone number
- Simple measurement (1/2 cup, whole cup)
- Calendar activities
- One-to-one correspondence

Language

- Demonstrates ability to listen for specific purpose: directions for games, activities, stories, poems, and music
- Begins to distinguish between real and make-believe
- Listens, then recalls or imitates
- Makes relevant verbal contribution in small group discussion and asks relevant questions
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- Tells ideas or stories in sequence
- Verbalizes songs and finger plays
- Rhyming skills

Reading Readiness

- Exposure to phonetic sounds
- Exposed to left/right orientation
- Recognition of upper-case letters and *exposure* to lower-case letters
- Recognizes and prints first name
- Knows positional terms such as: left-right, top-bottom, front-back, up-down
- Distinguishes words that begin with the same sound
- Sequencing skills, categorizing, matching, and patterning
- Opposites
- Exposure to correlation of written words to objects

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT:

Gross Motor

- Walks backwards, runs smoothly, skips, gallops, and hops
- Balances on one foot
- Bounces, throws, and catches a ball
- Climbs playground equipment and pedals tricycles

Fine Motor

- Works puzzles
- Play dough, model magic
- Uses Crayon and pencil with control within defined area
- Connects dotted outline to make shapes, numbers, & letters
- Builds detailed projects with manipulatives

Shapes, Colors, Cutting

- Knowledge of basic shapes
- Knowledge of 8 basic colors plus shades of blended colors
- Holds scissors correctly, detailed cutting
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Science

- Seasonal and weather activities
- Simple experiments
- Animals/insects in room (metamorphosis)
- Awareness of self (5-senses)
- Hands-on science exhibits to encourage participation (eg: magnets, magnifying glasses, rocks, shells, leaves)
- Explore conservation and recycling
- Resource guests
- Plants in room
- Cooking
- Nature walks

Art

- Painting
- Cutting, tearing, and pasting
- Drawing
- Collage, paper-mache
- Exposure to different art mediums

Music

- Rhythms, singing, listening, rhythm instruments
- Annual Christmas program (presentation)
- Movement to music

Typical Classroom Schedules

2's/Y3's Daily Schedule

9:00-9:15	Welcome Activity
9:15-9:30	Circle Time
9:30-9:45	Chapel or Music
9:45-10:05	Free Play/Learning Centers
10:05-10:25	Outdoor Play
10:25-10:50	Bathroom/Snack
10:50-11:35	Projects
11:35-11:45	Clean-up
11:45-12:00	Story
12:00	Dismissal

3's Daily Schedule

9:00-9:15	Welcome Activity
9:15-9:30	Circle Time
9:30-9:45	*****
9:45-10:05	Outside Play
10:05-10:15	Bathroom Break
10:15-10:35	Snack Time
10:35-11:25	Centers/Projects
11:25-11:35	Clean up Time
11:35-11:45	Show and Tell
11:45-12:00	Story Time
12:00	Dismissal

*****Chapel, Music, Cooking or Science

Pre K 4s Daily Schedule MWF and T/Th

9:00-1:00

9:00-9:15	Welcome Activity
9:15-9:45	Circle Time
9:45-10:00	Chapel or Music
10:00-10:20	Outdoor Play
10:20-10:30	Bathroom Break
10:30-10:45	Snack
10:45-11:00	Science
11:00-12:00	Projects/Centers
12:00-12:10	Bathroom
12:10-12:30	Lunch
12:30-1:00	Guess My Show/Story
1:00	Dismissal

Pre K 5's MWF and T/Th Daily Schedule

9:00-1:00

8:45/9:00-9:10	Morning Challenge
9:10-9:40	Topic Time + Fun with Phonics
9:40-9:50	Bathroom
9:50-10:10	*****
10:10-10:25	Group Movement Activities
10:25-11:15	Open Snack/Learning Centers
11:15-11:25	Clean-up
11:25-11:40	Science
11:40-11:50	Bathroom
11:50-12:20	Lunch
12:20-12:45	Outdoor Play
12:45-1:00	Closing Circle Time
1:00	Dismissal

*****Chapel, Music, Cooking, Science

Construction Zone Daily Schedule

7:30-8:45	Arrival and Free Play
8:45-9:00	Children dismissed to classes and begin to clean-up
9:00-9:15	Circle Time and Story
9:15-9:30	Bathroom
9:30-9:50	Snack
9:50-10:20	Project
10:20-10:50	Outside Play
10:50-11:35	Inside Free Play
11:35-11:45	Bathroom
11:45-12:20	Lunch/Quiet Time
12:20-1:00	Outside Play
12:30	Kids dismissed to classes
1:00-3:00	Naptime for sleepers
1:15-1:45	Rest time for non-sleepers
1:45-3:00	Quiet Play/Reading/Play dough for non-sleepers
3:00-3:10	Bathroom
3:10-3:30	Outside Play
3:30-3:45	Story time/Wash-up for snack
3:45-4:15	Snack
4:15-4:45	Project
4:45-5:15	Outside Play
5:15-6:00	Free Play/Games/Stories