



NATIVITY OF MARY SCHOOL'S K-READINESS ACADEMY

Our K-Readiness Academy is a two year preschool program designed for children ages 3-5. In this program, students become well prepared for the academic and social aspects of Kindergarten and beyond.

ABOUT OUR PROGRAM

Our first year offers children the opportunity to explore their creativity and learn about classroom structure. This year builds their social and emotional connections with other children and introduces them to an academic setting.

Year 1 students work on fine motor skills through activities such as puzzles, tracing, lacing and more. Crafts are specifically designed to focus on fine motor practice, but also highlight the "letter of the week" and/or specific holidays.

Our second year will give children an edge as they prepare for Kindergarten. Children receive integrated instruction across all areas of the curriculum including pre-reading and writing, math, science, social studies and moral development. A thematic approach is used in designing all lessons and daily activities and include a variety of rich and positive experiences to assist in developing happy and confident learners.

In both years, children move through centers such as special projects, small group instruction, and student-led sensory play. Our students develop a strong understanding of routines and the structure of a classroom environment, but also gain confidence and independence to allow them to thrive in an academic setting. Students in both years take a well-rounded course load of special area classes such as Physical Education, Art & Music, with Year 2 students also taking Library, Technology and Spanish.

CLASS INFORMATION

Both Year 1 and Year 2 are offered 5 full days per week (8:30am-2:15pm) with a half day option (8:30am-11:30am). A hot school lunch is available daily to full day students. Early morning drop off (7:30-8:00am) is available for all K-Readiness Academy students. All students wear Nativity's uniform and participate in school-wide activities. Our second year culminates with a K-Readiness Academy Graduation Ceremony.

REQUIREMENTS FOR PROGRAM

Our Year 1 children are our younger learners, who do *not* plan on attending Kindergarten the following year. These children must turn 3 by December 1st. Year 2 is reserved for children who have completed Year 1 *and/or* plan to attend Kindergarten the following year. Children in Year 2 must turn 4 by December 1st. For both years, all children must be fully potty trained.

We're different where it matters most to you

Our K-Readiness Academy provides a happy and loving environment that nurtures growth and respect for self and others. Our program is designed to enhance and develop each individual child's unique skills and talents. Students gain the knowledge and tools necessary to reach their full potential.

Nativity is a 'Standards Plus' school, which educates well beyond the New York State Curriculum Standards.



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