



KINDERGARTEN CURRICULUM

IN KINDERGARTEN LITERACY ESSENTIALS our students will:

- begin formal reading instruction with explicit, systematic phonics
- recognize all capital and lowercase letters and sounds
- blend letter sounds to read simple words and sentences
- begin formal spelling and handwriting instruction

IN KINDERGARTEN LITERATURE our students will read or listen to:

- Mother Goose poems such as “Humpty Dumpty” and “Mary, Mary, Quite Contrary”
- serialized stories like the Winnie-The-Pooh and Beatrix Potter tales
- Aesop’s fables such as “The Lion and the Mouse” and “The Tortoise and the Hare”
- American folk tales such as the stories of Davy Crockett and Johnny Appleseed

IN KINDERGARTEN HISTORY & GEOGRAPHY our students will:

- learn to read maps and understand basic geography like continents and oceans
- understand the importance of being a good citizen
- study the history of North American tribes and the early American explorers
- learn about the 4th of July, the American flag, and the presidents of Mount Rushmore

IN KINDERGARTEN MATH our students will:

- count to 100 and write numbers 1-100
- learn to tell time by an analogue clock
- begin their study of adding and subtracting
- be introduced to money and recognize the value of all American coins

IN KINDERGARTEN SCIENCE our students will:

- study the basic parts of a plant: seed, root, stem, branch, leaf
- observe and describe seasons and weather: clouds, rain, thunder, hail, snow, etc.
- learn about the five senses and associated body parts
- recognize the importance of taking care of the environment

IN KINDERGARTEN ART our students will:

- draw with the seven elements of art: line, color, shape, value, space, texture
- study great works of art by artists such as Bruegel, Matisse, Picasso, Gauguin et al.
- observe and experiment with how colors create different feelings

IN KINDERGARTEN MUSIC our students will:

- become familiar with the basic elements of music: rhythm, melody, harmony, etc.
- sing unaccompanied, accompanied, and in unison
- recognize various types of musical instruments by sight and sound

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KINDERGARTEN LITERATURE

Story Books

The Complete Tales of Winnie-The-Pooh
Beatrix Potter: The Complete Tales
Mother Goose Poems
The Legend of Bluebonnet
The 4th of July Story
The Story of the Statue of Liberty

Poems

“April Rain Song” by Langston Hughes
“Early to Bed “ by Benjamin Franklin
“Rain” by Robert Louis Stevenson
“Tommy” by Gwendolyn Brooks
“Three Little Kittens” by Dorothy Aldis

Folklore, Fables & Fairy Tales

Little Red Riding Hood
The Three Billy Goats Gruff
Cinderella
The Velveteen Rabbit
The Ugly Duckling
The Bremen Town Musicians
King Midas and the Golden Touch

Biographies

George Washington Carver
Abe Lincoln, The Boy Who Loved Books
Wilbur and Orville Wright