

2022-23 Class Overview

Kids on the Ridge Weekday Preschool is open to children from 2 ½ through 5 years of age. The program offers a wide variety of enrichment and learning opportunities with our teaching team focused on instilling God's love into the hearts of your child. Our dedicated and experienced teachers provide individualized programs to encourage your child's spiritual, intellectual, physical, social and emotional development. Daily schedules provide each child with a path to create, explore, problem-solve and socialize. All of our classes utilize God's 7 Days of Creation (*preschool biblical learning*) as the foundation for our learning curriculum.

Little's Class

This is your child's first step in preparing for preschool. Designed for children who are **2 ½ by August 31st and actively toilet training**. We use play-based activities and hands-on learning that turn your little one's sense of curiosity into opportunities for learning and building confidence. We help them build routines, learn to share, how to be a friend and using their words to communicate their ideas. We focus on God's love for each one of us.

3's Class

Your child begins to learn through God's 7 Days of Creation as it is shared throughout their day – in circle time, science, art, self-care, music and movement and activities that introduce letters, numbers and colors. As they learn to follow structure and routine in a loving Christian environment, we work on social skills like initiating play, sharing, and making decisions with friends. We also introduce self-care skills such as cleaning up their space, keeping track of personal items and independently using the restroom. Your child is also introduced to skills that foster remembering and following multistep directions. This class is targeted toward children who are **3 years old by August 31st and actively toilet training**.

4's Class (AM and PM options are available)

In this love-filled learning environment, your child learns and practices skills such as, writing their name, recognizing letters/numbers, classroom etiquette, etc. Circle time emphasizes class theme, 7 Days of Creation, sound of the week, sharing, handwriting, number concepts 1-20, letter sounds, pre-reading phonics, songs and art. This is a busy room and the children are given the freedom to choose learning materials, guided by the teacher. This class is targeted toward children who are **3 ½ years old by August 31st**.

Pre-Kindergarten (PreK)

The PreK Class is for children who will be **4 years old by August 31st**, and intending on moving directly into kindergarten the following year. Children in our Pre-K class develop the spiritual, educational, and social foundation needed for success in their transition to kindergarten. Children are given the freedom to choose learning materials, guided by the teacher to allowing the students to build their confidence and independence to explore. Circle time emphasizes class theme curriculum, sound of the week, sharing, handwriting, number concepts 1-20, songs and art.

Enrichment (Extended Day)

The Enrichment Program is for children in the 3's, 4's and PreK classes who desire extra time for music, movement, art, lunch (*bring from home*), and learning fun for continued social and academic development.

Jr. Kindergarten (JrK)

Jr. Kindergarten is a year for children to receive additional development time to grow emotionally, physically and academically in a nurturing Christian school environment. Your child will work on reading skills (*letters, phonics, sight words*), writing ("*Handwriting Without Tears*"), math ("*Singapore Early Bird Math Common Core Edition*"), ten frame math (*counting, addition and subtraction*). The class will focus on God's 7 Days of Creation, Bible verse memorization, circle time, art, science, music and movement. Enjoying lunch together will foster independence and enhance their personal responsibility (*i.e. manners, cooperation, cleanup, and time management*). This class is intended for children who are **4 ½ years old by August 31st**.

Chapel

All school chapel is held once a month, where they get to sing, pray and hear about a wonderful story from the Bible. Chapel is led by Church on the Ridge's Student Ministries Pastors.

For more information, please visit us online at www.churchontheridge.org/preschool or if you have additional questions, please email us at kotrpreschool@churchontheridge.org.