

# Interested in *Junior Kindergarten*?

*(Child must turn 5 between June and Dec 1<sup>st</sup>)*

## The Purpose of Junior Kindergarten

**Prepare** - To prepare young students for kindergarten.

**Pace** - To pace a curriculum that progressively reinforces and expands early academic skills.

**Provide** - To provide age appropriate instruction that support areas of social/emotional development and independence.

**Promote** - To promote, empower, and inspire confident learners and leaders with a love of school.

## Goals of Junior Kindergarten

Play collaboratively

Build attention span and stamina

Increase fine motor

Promote independence

Develop social / emotional skills and conflict resolution

## What makes Junior Kindergarten Unique?

JK allows for another year prior to traditional kindergarten for children to develop pre-learner and social skills.

JK has a specifically designed curriculum to promote success and achievement in kindergarten.

JK nurtures both students with preschool experience and those with no prior preschool experience.

JK encourages the integration of students from neighboring districts that may not provide a young 5's program.

JK is specifically designed to promote social growth, encourage personal independence and to teach skills that are developmentally appropriate.

JK teachers provide direct instruction in early academic skills that are required for success in traditional kindergarten.

Instruction is paced appropriately to ensure that children have a chance to develop automaticity of essential concepts and skills.

Still have questions? Please contact your school principal.

