



## Welcome to Hillside Preschool 2<sup>1/2</sup>s

### **Basic Daily Schedule:**

Drop-off  
Learning Centers  
Clean-up & Snack  
Circle Time  
Seat Work  
Crafts & Centers/Potty Time  
Bible Lesson & Story Time  
Recess  
Coats & Totes/Dismissal

### **Learning Centers:**

Building/Blocks: (beginning math skills)  
Manipulatives/Puzzles: (beginning math skills)  
Reading/Library: (beginning language arts skills)  
Dramatic Play/Kitchen & Dress-up: (building social skills & language)  
Free Art & Crafts: (building creativity & strengthening fine motor skills)  
Recess (beginning team building & strengthening gross motor skills)

### **Circle Time:**

Calendar  
Weather  
Introduce Lesson (letter, number, shape, color, seasonal theme)  
Songs

### **Seat Work:**

Worksheet that corresponds with the lesson of the day  
Use one color crayon for the whole month as reinforcement  
Introducing pencil & other fine motor activities to encourage fine motor development

### **Potty Training:**

We encourage the children to use the potty, but do not push it if they are resistant or hesitant.  
We do not want to make their potty training experience a traumatic one!  
We check in with families daily to report on potty time  
and will reach out to parents to notify if we are in need of more toileting supplies

**Hillside Preschool Curriculum in Accordance  
with the Early Childhood Expectations in the State of New Jersey**

Our 2½ Year Old Students Curriculum covers the following:

Introduction to classroom structure & expectations: classroom rules, manners, & respect.

Curriculum- taught through a variety of methods, including: songs, puppetry, & stories.

Bible Stories

Basic Shapes

Primary Colors

Calendar counting 1-31

Numbers 1-10

Introduce Letters of the Alphabet

Introduce a variety of age appropriate stories

Introduce pencil & do a variety of fine motor activities to strengthen finger muscles to prepare for writing

Name Identification- First name only

Simple Sign Language

Simple Spanish Words

Variety of art projects associated with lessons using various mediums

Both Free and Planned Play Activities

Activities to encourage both fine and gross Motor Development

Simple Science Fun

Social Skills-Promote through Activities/Build Confidence

Introduce 911/ Health & Safety Rules

Specials: Chapel & Music

Field Trips: Fall & Spring

Days this class meets: MWF (am), TuTh (am) & TuTh (pm) Our afternoon 2 ½ year old class starts in January.

Classroom Ministry: Make encouraging cards for other ministries associated with Hillside Lutheran Brethren Church