

Creative Curriculum

-The concept of "Creative Curriculum" comes from the idea that young children learn by doing. It engages all of the senses.

-Creative Curriculum is a comprehensive curriculum, including content that meets all state and national standards. Content is presented in an integrated, developmental way so that instruction forms a coherent whole.

-The most important goal of Creative Curriculum is to help children become enthusiastic learners. It incorporates the development of both cognitive and social –emotional goals at the same time that academic skills are taught. Children learn at their own pace creating positive self-worth and confidence.

-Progress from the instructional strategies used in Creative Curriculum is monitored 4x yearly.

Creative Curriculum Identifies Goals in the Following Areas:

- Social Emotional
- Language Development
- Cognitive Skills
- Physical
- Early Learning Standards

The information in this pamphlet is intended for Parents/Guardians who may wish to enroll their child in the Sparta Township Preschool Program. This is a tuition-based, general education program held at Alpine Elementary School for children ages 3 to 5 years old.

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Sparta Township School District Alpine Elementary School Preschool Program 2016-2017 School Year

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Preschool Program:

- The preschool program runs 5 days per week for 2 hours 30 minutes per day in two sessions:
AM- 9:10am-11:45pm
PM- 1:10pm-3:45pm
- Classes are made up of students between the ages of 3-5 years old. There are a limited number of spaces available in our classes; students will be placed via lottery system.
- The preschool program is a general education program open to all children of Sparta.
- Children are provided with learning opportunities to support academic and social success in a nurturing environment.
- All classes follow the same general schedule:

–Students arrive as a group, unpack, and put away their own belongings.

-Table top activity

-Opening Circle-calendar, weather, group greetings

-Music and movement

-Interest centers/small group activity

-Large group activity, structured and/or free play, and outdoor/gross motor play

-Parent provided healthy snack (peanut free)

-Dismissal

Requirements

- The student must be 3 years old by October 1st and fully toilet trained. After October 1st, children can attend once they turn 3 years old and are fully toilet trained.
- To inquire about the preschool program, please contact the main office at Alpine at (973)-729-3107.
- To register, please go to the Alpine School Main Office, 151 Andover Road. Once placement is agreed upon, then Proof of Residency (POR) must be provided. (A current utility bill or tax bill is acceptable)
- To complete registration, the following items should be brought to the main office at Alpine: An original birth certificate, immunization records, and a recent physical. Your child will be placed in a classroom section pending availability once all registration requirements have been met.
- The tuition is \$3,000 for the year.

Preschool Students with Special Needs

- Your child does not have to be potty trained.
- Transportation is provided.
- The Preschool Program is determined by the IEP team.
- Children who attend the program as a Student with Special Needs do not pay for this program, if they are residents of the district.

Important Notes:

- Transportation, before care and after care are not provided. Related services (speech language, physical, occupational therapy) are not provided. However, at times a therapist may work within the classroom with children with special needs.
- Parent/Guardian is asked to drop off and pick up student at the appropriate time. Parent/Guardian must sign out student. If another adult will be picking up the student, a note authorizing that person to sign the student out must be provided.
- Parent/Guardian may be asked to provide:
 - Backpack (no wheels please)
 - Full change of clothes
 - Small snack daily (peanut free)
 - Folder and/or notebook for papers, projects, and communication notes

All supplies, clothes, and personal belongings should be labeled with the student's name.

***The preschool utilizes Creative Curriculum. All classes have a Preschool Certified Teacher, a teaching assistant, and is supported by a Special Education Teacher for a portion of the day.**

