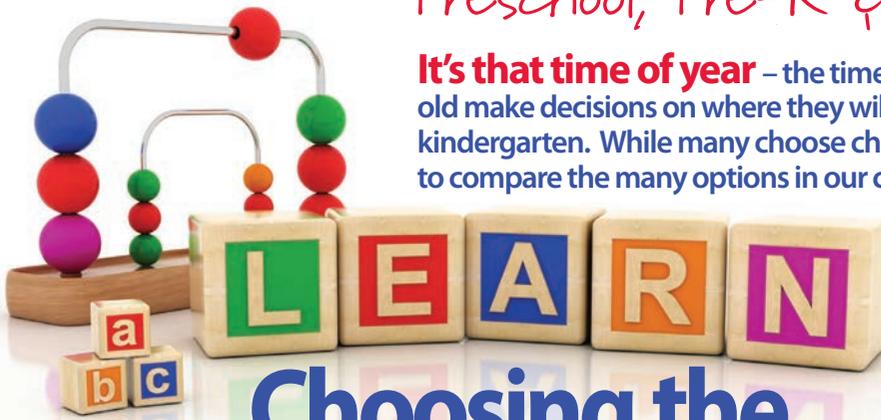


# Preschool, Pre-K & Kindergarten

**It's that time of year** – the time when parents of children ages 3-5 years old make decisions on where they will send their kids for preschool and/or kindergarten. While many choose church-based preschools, it is still tough to compare the many options in our community.



## Choosing the Right Education Path

St. John's Lutheran School has a reputable preschool program and it has a well-known kindergarten program, with a smooth transition between the two. Also, a St. John's education extends all the way through 8th grade, providing a great place for your child to get a "complete" education prior to high school. These programs have been successful for over twenty years. So if you are in the process of making a decision on either preschool or kindergarten, St. John's is a school you should investigate.



### Preschool Curriculum

- The Creative Curriculum balances both teacher-directed and child-initiated learning, with an emphasis on responding to children's learning styles and building on their strengths and interests (designed for ages 3-5)
- The North Carolina Foundations for Early Learning and Development focuses on five domains: Approaches to Play and Learning, Emotional and Social Development, Health and Physical Development, Language Development and Communication, and Cognitive Development.

#### Strengths of Program/school:

- Sonia Davidson – SJLS main preschool teacher over 20 years
- Small class sizes
- Weekly Chapel Computer, PE, Music, Library and Art
- Extras: music and special projects, two musicals
- After school care program available for additional cost

#### What Children Really Need to Get From Preschool

St. John's preschool teachers' goals are to help students reach their full potential by providing an environment and experience that promotes growth and learning beyond their preschool years. Kindergarten readiness is important to us but so is a firm foundation in Christian based knowledge.



### Kindergarten Curriculum

- Accelerated components for more advanced students
- One-to-one remediation for students when needed
- Variety of teaching methods for individual learning
- Phonics-based reading program
- Sight word recognition
- Sentence and paragraph writing
- D'Nealian handwriting
- Math focused on 0-30 (adding, subtracting, fractions, telling time, graphs, money, word problems, patterns, geometry)
- Daily Bible stories and daily prayer
- Individual assessment to determine first grade readiness

#### Strengths of Program/school:

- Sandy Bryant – SJLS kindergarten teacher for over 20 years
- Small class size
- Weekly Chapel, Computer, PE and Art classes
- Extras: educational field trips, community service, two musicals
- After school care program available for additional cost

#### What Children Really Need to Get From Kindergarten

At St. John's, we believe that fundamentally, children need a strong kindergarten program so they can become self-sufficient, self-confident and academically able to do whatever school presents to them.



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