



CURRICULUM OVERVIEW AND EXPECTATIONS

PREKINDERGARTEN 3

At Cape Henry Collegiate, Prekindergarten 3 students receive high quality instruction and the emotional/social support necessary for building a positive sense of self. Our curriculum is designed to support the whole child, to encourage creativity, and to foster curiosity. We believe our PK3 curriculum is vitally important and the foundation for future learning.

WHAT CAN YOU EXPECT FROM A CHC PREKINDERGARTEN 3 CLASSROOM?

- Small group instruction with hands-on learning activities
- Positive routines and expectations
- Opportunities to build independence skills
- Emphasis on teamwork, collaboration, and social development
- Instruction integrated with the arts
- Appropriate challenges coupled with continuous encouragement

WHAT DOES THE CHC PREKINDERGARTEN 3 CURRICULUM LOOK LIKE?

The curriculum encourages a balance between academic and social skills. In math, students develop early number sense. To build early literacy skills, students receive explicit instruction on the alphabet, learn to identify letters, and recall letter sounds. Social Studies provides students with the opportunity to learn about themselves, their community, and their world. In Science, students pose questions, look for answers, and explore the natural world around them. The carefully designed activities in Spanish, Art, Physical Education, Music, and Library classes support academic and social skills.

WHAT KEY SKILLS/CONCEPTS DO CHC PREKINDERGARTEN 3 CLASSROOMS INTRODUCE TO STUDENTS?

Math:

- Identify and order numbers
- Count from 1 to 10
- Identify and create patterns
- Compare, position, and order objects
- Identify, create, and compare shapes

Language Arts:

- Name recognition
- Letter and sound recognition
- Writing first name
- Recognizing the difference between numbers and letters as well as writing and drawing

Oral Communication/Comprehension:

- Follow two-step directions
- Develop oral vocabulary
- Express ideas
- Ask and answer questions
- Retell the events of a story

Social Skills:

- Work with peers to create art or complete a task
- Learn to advocate for needs
- Develop friendships and connections with peers and adults