



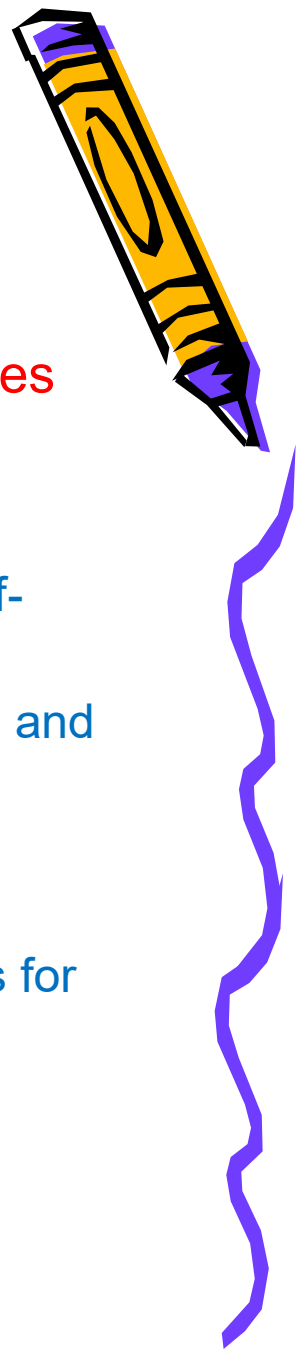
Developmental Kindergarten Orientation

Welcome, Parents!

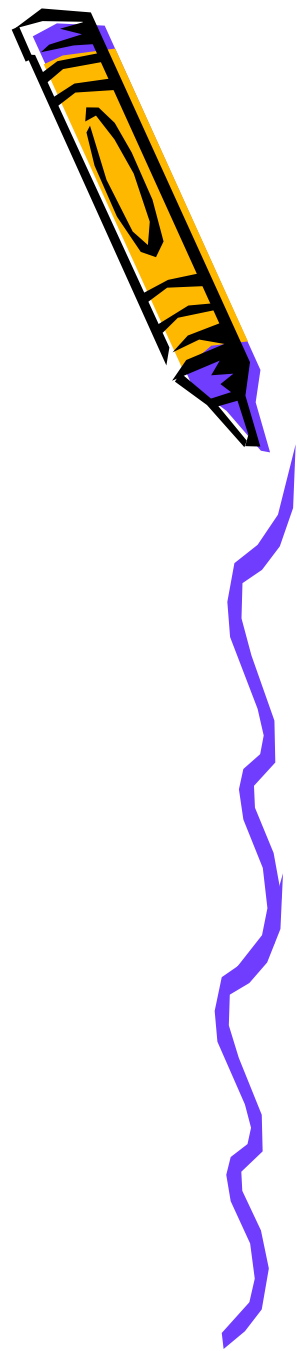
What is Developmental Kindergarten?

Developmental Kindergarten is designed to provide opportunities for growth in the following basic areas of development:

- **Emotional:** Encourages independence, builds confidence and self-esteem, and supports a positive self-image.
- **Social:** Encourages students to learn to communicate with others and build positive, respectful relationships.
- **Physical:** Encourages participation in active hands-on sensory learning and strengthens both fine and gross motor skills.
- **Academic:** Encourages a love for learning and prepares students for success in Kindergarten and beyond.



Randels Developmental Kindergarten?



- Taught by a highly qualified and experienced teacher
- Smaller class size
- Assistant teacher
- Developmentally appropriate instruction through hands-on learning and play
- Cooperation with kindergarten staff to provide a seamless transition to Kindergarten next year



Daily Activities

- **Fine Motor Activities**

- cutting, coloring, writing

- **Music and Movement**

- **Literacy Activities**

- Shared reading, read aloud, letter practice, phonics, nursery rhymes, small group instruction

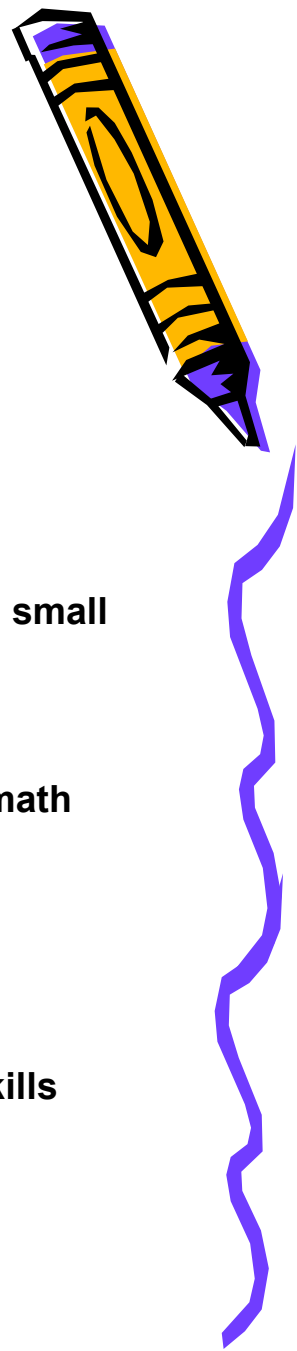
- **Math Activities**

- Calendar, hands-on manipulatives, math stations, number practice, math games

- **Learning Centers**

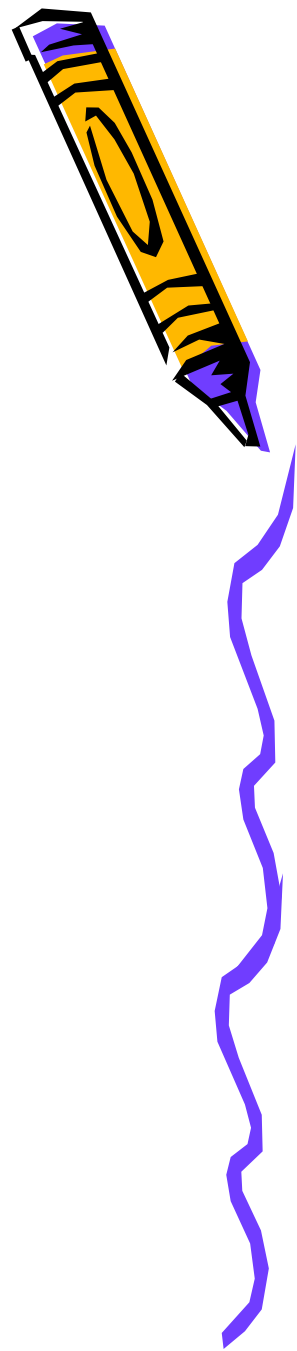
- **GrapeSeed**

- Oral language program that helps develop vocabulary and literacy skills



Additional Activities

- 30 Minute Computer Lab (4 times a week)
- Media Center Lessons
- 60 Minute Supervised Lunch and Recess
- 52 Minute -Special Class (**AMPS**)
 - **A**rt
 - **M**usic
 - **P**hysical Education & Health
 - *Students must wear tennis shoes*
 - **S**cience



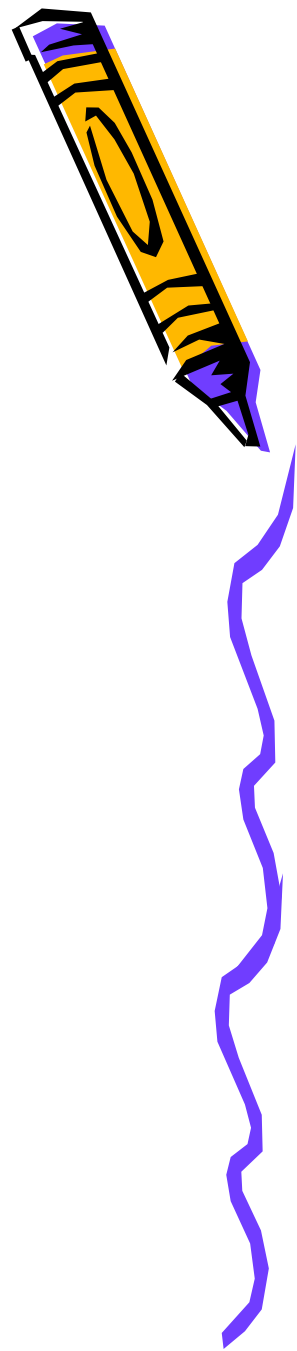
Developmental Kindergarten Expectations

Language Arts

- Understand text read aloud
- Retell familiar stories in sequence
- Identify uppercase and lowercase letters
- Know letter sounds
- Recognize and produce rhyming words
- Read print with one to one matching
- Begin to read common high frequency words
- Use simple reading strategies



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Writing

- Use recognizable drawings to represent a story
- Dictate a story on topic
- Begin to use letters and words to write a story
- Print uppercase and lowercase letters
- Write first and last name

Speaking and Listening

- Participate in classroom conversations
- Ask and answer questions
- Speak audibly and clearly express thoughts



Developmental Kindergarten Expectations



Mathematics

- Count to 20 or above
- Recognize numbers 0-20
- Write numbers 0-20
- Compare groups (greater than, less than, equal)
- Recognize, extend, and create patterns
- Sort objects by color, shape, and size
- Compare objects by length (shorter, taller, longer)
- Correctly identify shapes
- Begin to understand addition and subtraction



What does my child need to bring to school?

- **A backpack LARGE enough to hold folders**
- **Weather appropriate clothing**
- **All personal belonging should be labeled and should fit in your backpack**
- **A set of labeled clothes in a labeled bag for emergencies (Please keep in backpack)**

