



# West Bloomfield PRESCHOOL ACADEMY

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## Curriculum Letter

We are excited to share that our preschool follows the *HighScope Curriculum*, a research-based approach to early childhood education that nurtures curiosity, independence, and a love of learning in every child.

### What is the HighScope Curriculum?

The HighScope Curriculum focuses on active learning and structured routines. It encourages children to explore, ask questions, and discover answers through hands-on activities. Key features include:

- **Active Learning:** Children make choices and direct their own learning, developing critical thinking and problem-solving skills.
- **Child-Centered Approach:** Teachers observe each child's interests and plan activities that build on what they already know.
- **Play-Based Learning:** Play is integral, helping children make decisions, experiment, and engage socially.
- **Intentional Teaching:** Teachers provide guidance while ensuring a consistent, structured routine for security and growth.

### How HighScope Benefits Your Child

HighScope helps children:

- **Promote Independence & Confidence:** Children gain self-esteem through decision-making and autonomy.
- **Encourage Critical Thinking:** They learn to explore, hypothesize, and reflect, enhancing cognitive development.
- **Foster Social-Emotional Growth:** Collaborative learning teaches effective communication and conflict resolution.
- **Support Physical Development:** Both indoor and outdoor activities strengthen fine and gross motor skills.
- **Provide a Holistic Approach:** HighScope addresses all areas of a child's development, ensuring a well-rounded foundation.

### Our Assessment Process: COR

At West Bloomfield Preschool Academy, we use the *COR (Child Observation Record)* assessment tool, which aligns with HighScope. The COR tracks each child's growth across key developmental areas, providing valuable insights into their learning journey. This data allows us to tailor our teaching strategies and communicate progress with parents, celebrating achievements and addressing areas for growth.

### Our Commitment to Your Child's Success

We are dedicated to providing a supportive environment where your child's unique abilities can flourish. By integrating the HighScope Curriculum and the COR assessment, we aim to foster a strong foundation for a lifetime of learning and success.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please feel free to reach out. We look forward to partnering with you in your child's educational journey.