

Transitional Kindergarten/
Kindergarten
St. Joseph Elementary





What is T.K.?

- A Kindergarten Prep Program
- Age 5 by Dec. 1
- Helps children manage big emotions
- Gives children more time to develop both academically and social/emotionally
- Large group/small group/individual and play-based

Kindergarten

Age 5 by September 1st

Full Day Program

Whole Group and Small Group Instruction

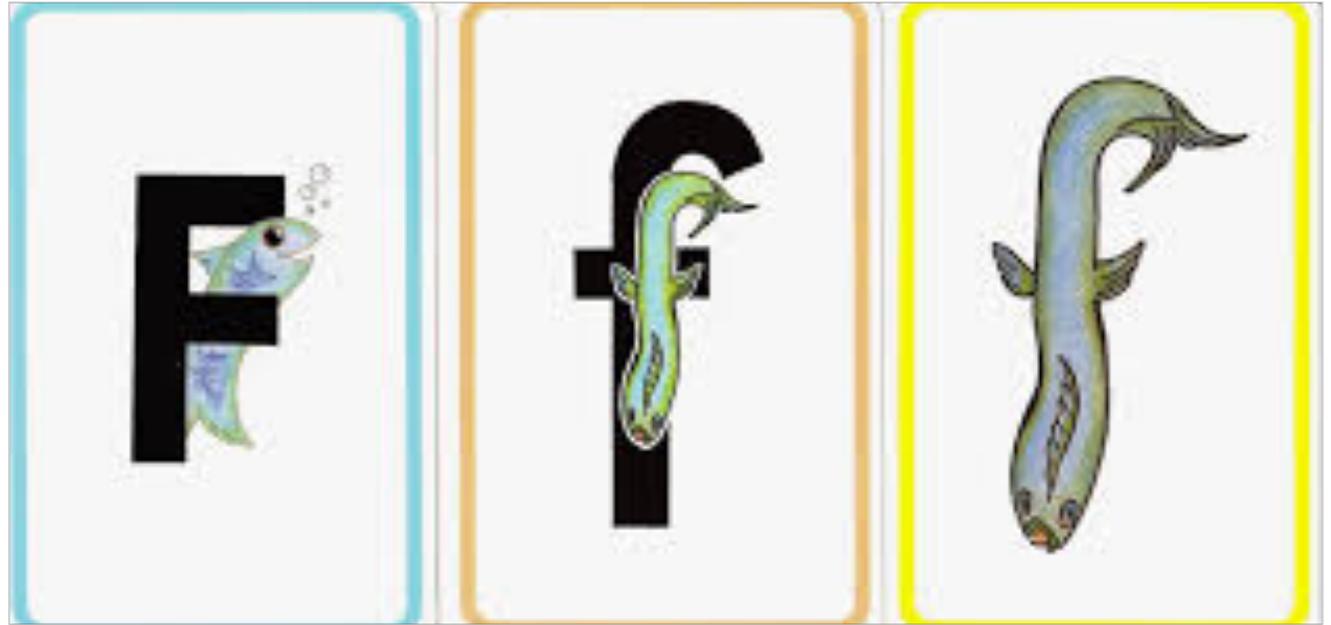
Individualized Learning

Social/Emotional Learning

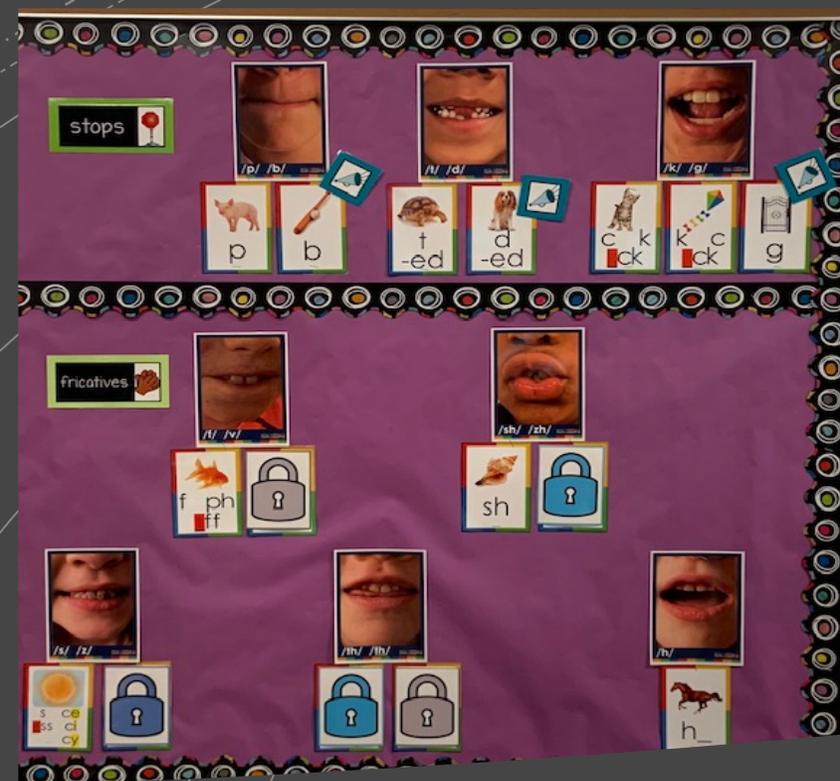
Uniforms



T.K. Zoo Phonics Curriculum



- Zoo Phonics Curriculum supports early reading
- Multi-sensory language arts program
- <https://zoo-phonics.com>
- Age appropriate, developmentally appropriate, sequential, and playful
- Integrates math and science concepts



Kindergarten Language Arts

- Amplify- www.ckla.amplify.com
 - Knowledge & Skills
- Tools for Reading- Sound Wall
- Heggerty- Phonemic Awareness- www.Heggerty.org
 - Explicit Instruction & Modeling
 - Multi-Sensory
- Recipe for Reading- Orton Gillingham

T.K. Math



Zoo Phonics

Counting, 1 to 1, ten frames, sorting, games, simple adding, number lines, recognizing numbers



Kindergarten Math

- Big Ideas Math
 - Meet all levels using hands-on exploration
 - Multiple opportunities for student practice
 - Performance Tasks-higher cognitive demand and student discourse
 - Built-in Parent Support-

www.BigIdeasLearning.com



T.K. Science

- STEM Activities
- Hands-on
- Experimental
- Independent and small group

Kindergarten Science

Cereal City Science

Three Major Science Units

Weather & Climate, Motion: Pushes & Pulls,
Plants & Animals Live Here

Experiments



T.K. & K Theology

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Pre-K through 2nd Grade

Atrium

We believe that God and the child have a unique relationship with one another, particularly before the age of six; that growth of this relationship should be assisted by the adult, but is directed by the Spirit of God; that children need their own place to foster the growth of that relationship; and that the child's spiritual growth is best served through tangible but indirect means.

<https://www.cgsusa.org/discover/cgs-approach>

Kindergarten attends Mass once a week and on Holy Days

Image of God Series

Service Learning



T.K.
Kindergarten
Social Studies

Wants & Needs

Celebrating our Past

Holidays

Historical Figures

Geography

T.K./K Field Trips, Celebrations, & More

Field Trips (Fire Safety, Apple Orchard, Nature Center, Sledding)

Catholic Schools Week, March is Reading Month, Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas, Valentine's Day, St. Patrick's Day, Easter

Lessons that integrate all subject areas-Cross Curricular



T.K. Schedule

- 8:00 a.m.- 3:10 p.m.- Full Day
- 12:00-3:10 p.m.- Half Day
- Morning Enrichment- Calendar, Social/Emotional Development, Centers, Art
- Lunch-10:45- Full Day (2 snacks) Half Day (1 snack)
- Specials- P.E. & Music
- Brain Breaks

Kindergarten Schedule

- 8:00a.m. - 3:10p.m.
- AM- ELA, Theology, Snack, Recess
- Lunch/Recess
- PM- Math, Social Studies, Science
- Specials- P.E. (2), Music (2), Art (2), Library
- Brain Breaks

Forms & Questions

Kinder Camp

Gesell Developmental Assessment

Green Health Appraisal

<http://www.bcacs.org/>

