

Monroe Christian School Knights in Training



Preschool, Pre-Kindergarten
& Kindergarten Program

**Train up a child in the way he should go:
and when he is old, he will not depart from it.
Proverbs 22:6**

Welcome Parents,

Thank you for your interest in Monroe Christian School. In our early education program, your child will be challenged to grow in the following areas:

- 👑 Spiritually: We believe that each and every child is God's precious child. Your child will be treated with love and respect. They will understand that God loves them and has a special plan for their life.
- 👑 Emotionally: Your child will have the opportunity to play and learn with other children. They will make friends with classmates and see themselves as capable and responsible.
- 👑 Physically: Your child will grow confident in their ability to run, skip, draw, write, build, and climb. We will provide activities that help develop both fine and gross motor skills.
- 👑 Socially: Your child will see that the world is a big and exciting place full of different people and places and challenges. They will be given tools to help them communicate appropriately with other children, as well as adults. They will also learn how to follow directions, work in a group, cooperate and share.
- 👑 Intellectually: Your child will be given developmentally-appropriate activities. They will learn new songs, hear wonderful stories, and memorize poems. They will draw, paint, and express themselves creatively. Your child will be given a solid foundation for their academic future.

We look forward to meeting you and your child. We are excited about partnering with you and your family.

In Him,

The Staff at MCS





Introduction to MCS

Monroe Christian School was established in 1956 for the purpose of providing a school which would teach a way of life compatible with that held in the home. The establishment of the Christian school rejects the secular philosophy that man is the center of the universe, and acknowledges God as the Creator of all things. It establishes the Word of God as the plumb line for all learning.

Monroe Christian School is devoted to teaching that our lives, as Christians, are lived within the Kingdom of Jesus Christ here on earth. This "world and life view" does not separate us from the present world, but helps us to see it in the light of God's word as revealed to us by His Holy Spirit.

Our Mission Statement

Monroe Christian School is a Christ-centered community equipping God's children for service in His Kingdom.

Our Vision Statement

We at Monroe Christian School partner with Christian homes and churches to nurture and equip God's children. We recognize that Jesus Christ is sovereign over all creation and has created each child with unique abilities, gifts, and talents. Our purpose is to develop and encourage growth in every area of their lives; spiritually, intellectually, emotionally, socially, and physically, according to God's Word and relying on the Holy Spirit. Through this process, children will develop a Christian perspective of life that will enable them critically weigh the issues of the day and lead them into faithful stewardship of God's world and into a life of joyful service.

"Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is – His good, pleasing, and perfect will." Romans 12:2 (NIV)

What will my child learn in Preschool & Pre-Kindergarten?

Our Pre-Kindergarten program builds upon the Preschool program in preparation for Kindergarten.



Learning About God



- 👑 During Bible time, your child will:
 - 👑 Listen to and act out Bible stories
 - 👑 Sing Bible songs
 - 👑 Experience God's unfailing love



Learning About Self




- 👑 Socially, throughout the school day, your child will be encouraged to:
 - 👑 Share and take turns
 - 👑 Follow directions
 - 👑 Participate in group activities
 - 👑 Adhere to the daily routine
 - 👑 Consider others and their feelings
 - 👑 Take delight in the person God has created them to be



Learning About School



- 👑 Academically, your child will work toward:
 - 👑 Building on and furthering the skills learned in Preschool
 - 👑 Printing his/her name
 - 👑 Identifying colors and shapes
 - 👑 Tracing and writing letters, numbers, and shapes
 - 👑 Recognizing and printing the letters of the alphabet
 - 👑 Learning the sounds of the alphabet
 - 👑 Recognizing numbers / Counting
 - 👑 Holding a pencil correctly
 - 👑 Using scissors correctly
 - 👑 Enhancing fine motor skills and gross motor skills by:
 - 👑 Using art supplies such as scissors, paints, crayons, and glue
 - 👑 Building puzzles
 - 👑 Participating in outdoor play and indoor exercise
 - 👑 Understanding words
 - 👑 Creating and recognizing patterns
 - 👑 Fostering a love for learning
 - 👑 Understanding God's creation



Sample Preschool & Pre-Kindergarten Routine

This routine remains flexible and changes according to classroom needs.
Restroom breaks are added as needed.

- 👑 Welcome / Table Project / Toys / Books
- 👑 Flag Salute / Prayer / Calendar / Attendance
- 👑 Bible / Music
- 👑 Project / Craft
- 👑 Indoor Play
- 👑 Clean-up / Restroom / Prayer / Snack
- 👑 Outdoor Play
- 👑 Story Time
- 👑 Math
- 👑 Project
- 👑 Pack-up / Goodbye Song / Dismissal



Sample Themes for Preschool & Pre-Kindergarten

	<u>Year 1</u>	<u>Year 2</u>
September	Friends Johnny Appleseed	Me and My Family Johnny Appleseed
October	Forest Daddy & Me Harvest Party	Fall Daddy & Me Harvest Party Rainforest
November	Transportation Thanksgiving	Ponds Thanksgiving
December	Jesus – Christmas	Jesus – Christmas
January	Space	Winter
February	Germany Grandparent Event Valentine’s Day	Community Workers Grandparent Event Valentine’s Day
March	Oceans	Nursery Rhymes
April	Birds Easter	Spring Easter
May	Gardens Mother’s Day Tea	Desert Mother’s Day Tea
June	Dinosaurs	Mexico

What will my child learn in Kindergarten?



Learning about God



(Christian Schools International Bible Curriculum)

- ✠ Jesus' Ministry
- ✠ Jesus' Miracles
- ✠ Jesus' Parables
- ✠ Christmas
- ✠ Easter and Ascension
- ✠ God's love for His church



Reading



- ✠ Concepts of Print
- ✠ Phonemic Awareness
- ✠ Phonics - **Go for the Code** – Educators Publishing Service
- ✠ Fluency
- ✠ Vocabulary - **Wordly Wise** – Educators Publishing Service
- ✠ Comprehension
- ✠ Writing
- ✠ Information Skills
- ✠ As a child, I already know how to read environmental print.
- ✠ I can write using invented spelling.
- ✠ Reading and writing are important means of communication.
- ✠ Reading is fun!



Handwriting



(Curriculum: Handwriting Without Tears)

- ✠ Multi-sensory Lessons
- ✠ Review and Mastery Activities
- ✠ Learn and Check Strategies
- ✠ Reading and writing allow me to communicate powerfully with God and others.

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Math



(Saxon Math)

Numbers

- ☞ Identifies numbers 0-20
- ☞ Sequences numbers 0-20
- ☞ Matches with one-to-one correspondence
- ☞ Matches sets and numbers
- ☞ Identifies ordinal position
- ☞ Counts by 1's to 150; Counts by 10's to 100
- ☞ Adds facts up to 5, 10
- ☞ Subtracts up to 5, 10
- ☞ Writes numbers correctly

Geometry

- ☞ Identifies and names shapes
- ☞ Compares objects of length
- ☞ Measures the length of objects
- ☞ Copies geoboard designs
- ☞ Covers tangram designs

Other Skills

- ☞ Sorts objects and identifies a sorting rule
- ☞ Copies and extends patterns
- ☞ Creates a real graph
- ☞ Names the days of the week
- ☞ Identifies coins
- ☞ Math is exact, precise, and logical.
- ☞ God created Math so I can begin to see the order and patterns in His world.



Science



Is acquiring scientific awareness about:

- ☞ Zoo animals
- ☞ Farm animals
- ☞ Winter animals
- ☞ Seasons
- ☞ Weather
- ☞ Apples
- ☞ Pumpkins
- ☞ Leaves
- ☞ Plants and seeds
- ☞ Insects
- ☞ Science helps me to see God's fingerprints all over His creation. He created the world and everything in it.




Social Studies



Is acquiring information about:

- ☞ Historical events
- ☞ Community
- ☞ Countries
- ☞ Customs
- ☞ Holidays
- ☞ We share a common place in history.
- ☞ God placed me in community. We live, learn, celebrate together.



Sample Kindergarten Routine

- ☞ Pledges / Bible Story / Project
- ☞ Morning Meeting (Calendar, etc.)
- ☞ Math (Fridays – Chapel)
- ☞ Snack
- ☞ Recess
- ☞ Reading Workshops
- ☞ Centers (Library one day)
- ☞ Lunch
- ☞ Recess
- ☞ Read Aloud
- ☞ Science / Social Studies / Music
- ☞ Writing Workshops
- ☞ Recess
- ☞ P.E. / Art / Literature & Learning
- ☞ Afternoon Wrap-Up
- ☞ Dismissal

Ready to enroll?

In order to enroll in one of our programs, your child must meet the age requirement below by September 30th of the current school year:

Preschool	Three (3) years old (and able to use the restroom independently)
Pre-Kindergarten	Four (4) years old
Kindergarten	Five (5) years old

Just complete the necessary forms in the Registration Packet and return them to the school office with your registration fee. Space is limited and held on a first-come, first-served basis. We can only confirm a space if we have all necessary forms completed and registration fee paid.

If you do not have a Registration Packet, call or stop by the office – we'll be happy to assist you.

Not sure yet?

Here's what you can do:

- 👑 Call the office to ask questions: 360-794-8200.
- 👑 Check out our website: www.monroechristian.org
- 👑 Call to schedule a visit during school to observe the class, ask questions of the teachers, and allow your child to see what "school" is like.
- 👑 Come to the Preschool & Pre-K Open House or Kindergarten Preview Day.

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