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> Early Childhood/Preschool Standards

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THE DIOCESE OF RALEIGH SCHOOLS: MISSION OF OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

The mission of the Diocese of Raleigh is to engage our school/preschool communities in creating a quality education within a Catholic environment that fosters the current and future development of the whole child.

DIOCESE OF RALEIGH CATHOLIC SCHOOLS: A FOUNDATION FOR LIFE

"School is one of the educational environments where one grows by learning how to live, how to become grown- up, mature men and women...Following what St. Ignatius teaches us, the main element in school is learning to be magnanimous...This means having a big heart, having a greatness of soul. It means having grand ideals, the desire to achieve great things in response to what God asks of us and, precisely because of this, doing everyday things, all our daily actions, commitments, and meetings with people well. [It means] doing the little everyday things with a big heart that is open to God and to others." Pope Francis {Excerpts from Pope Francis: Speech address on June 7, 2013 on the importance of Catholic education in schools in Italy and Albania in the Paul VI Audience Hall.}



INTRODUCTION

The Early Childhood/Preschool (EC/PS) Standards are intended for use in all Catholic Early Childhood Centers/Preschools in the Diocese of Raleigh. These standards are the framework for instruction that should assist teachers in identifying and implementing the appropriate instructional methodology for ages 2 - 5. Effective classroom lessons/units require a teacher's understanding of what each student knows, what the student needs to learn, and then supporting them to learn it well. These Standards are created for both the Early Childhood/Preschool and Pre-Kindergarten ages, as we understand that development occurs in a continuum. This can promote a successful transition from Early Childhood/Preschool into kindergarten, which is shown to help promote student's future academic success (Skouteris, Watson, & Lum, 2012).

Assessments will support the learning and provide useful information for both the teacher and the student. The Standards outline the levels of competency that is expected of students at the end of each age level. The Standards are aligned to the North Carolina Foundations of Early Learning and Development (2013) and infused with our Catholic identity.

The EC/PS Standards are enhanced by specific **Overarching Standards**, **Achievement Standards and Goals** unique to students in Catholic Schools. Teachers must reinforce Gospel truths and values so that students may serve as witness to their Catholic faith. The **Overarching Standards** will help students develop in each area. **Achievement Standards** are not necessarily quantifiable, but rather identified in a student's respect toward the content area. **Specific age level goals** for each standard ensure that each student gain the necessary skills to transition into the next sequential age level. They are intended to **serve as expectations** that many children will reach at the end of their respective age level. They should be viewed as a continuum to easily see what might come before and after the current level of development. Assessments should support the learning and provide useful information for the teacher, parent and the student.

Standards

ARE learning goals for what students should know and be able to do at each grade level.

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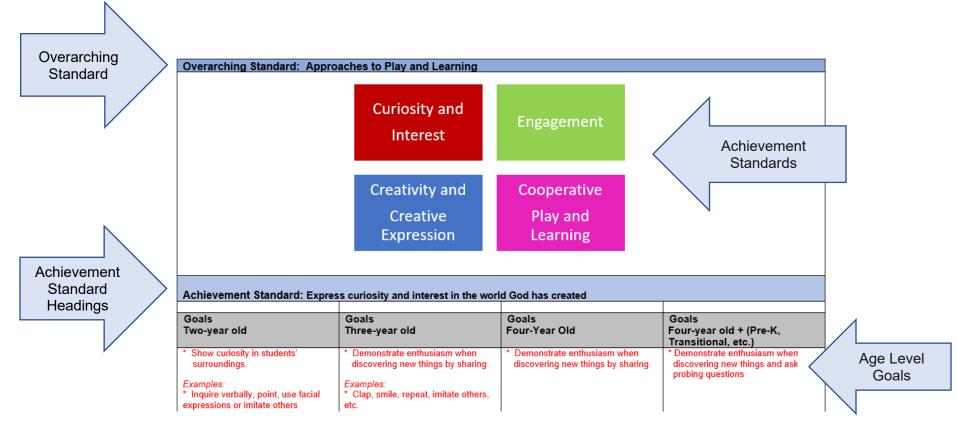
Curriculum

ARE detailed plans/units/resources used to teach the students learning goals embodied in the standards.

May be altered/changed by classroom teacher to ensure student success.



SAMPLE



DOR Early Childhood/Preschool Standards are aligned with the North Carolina Foundations for Early Learning and Development Standards 2013

PHILOSOPHY

The Diocese of Raleigh Early Childhood Centers/Preschools believe that a developmentally appropriate Catholic preschool experience provides an environment that allows freedom to play, explore and discover the wonders of God's world in the course of a child-oriented day. We believe children learn most effectively through sensory experiences and activities that stir the imagination and encourage exploration.

It is essential for children to develop a well-adjusted sense of self in an environment that affords opportunities to attempt new skills and recognize that learning involves trial and error. Within the classroom, children freely interact with peers and adults developing a sense of trust and respect for individuals. By providing standards that integrates all areas of a child's development, children can learn and reach their maximum potential.

STANDARDS FRAMEWORK

The Standards framework includes **overarching standards, achievement standards and age level goals.** These standards describe what the young child can reasonably be expected to know and be able to do within each standard. These standards determine the focus of child-initiated and teacher-directed classroom activities. To further define the developmental objectives, **goals** provide age appropriate examples of knowledge and skills. By observing what a child can do within each goal, the teacher can determine and articulate a child's progress and plan learning experiences to provide for the child's next stage of learning.



Spiritual Development – Experiences that assist children in learning about Jesus' life and teachings; developing a relationship with God through prayer; appreciating God's creation; beginning exposure to Catholic traditions; and treating self and others with respect.



Social and Emotional Development – Experiences that nurture a child's ability to communicate a sense of self, exhibit independence and self-management, to interact appropriately with peers, to show relationship skills including self-discipline and respect for others, to participate in a variety of activities that develop responsible decision-making, to cope with new or challenging situations and to communicate his/her own needs and feelings appropriately.

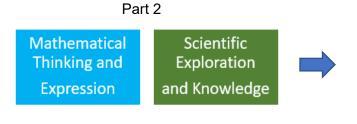


Approaches to Play and Learning – Experiences that will address how children learn and includes their attitudes toward and interest in learning; demonstrate behaviors such as problem-solving and curiosity; display ways to learn in all domains including, music, dramatic play and art; become more confident in their ability to learn and enjoy the process of exploration and discovery through play.

Part 1



Cognitive Development Part I –Experiences that focus on the ability to acquire, organize, recall, and use information in complex ways; explain, construct, and predict; apply knowledge and use this to refine understanding of concepts; and awareness of physical environment and people.



Cognitive Development Part 2 – Experiences that develop their skills as effective thinkers and problem-solvers; use memory when learning mathematics, science, creative expression, and social connections; and use all senses to explore and discuss. Almost every experience can be used to support children's understanding of the concepts included in the Cognitive Development standard.



Physical Development and Health – Experiences that focus on physical growth and motor development, self-care, nutrition and health safety practices; developing good physical health and motor development supports children's learning; proper nutrition promotes not only good physical growth but cognitive development skills such as problem-solving, memory and decision-making.

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Overarching Standard: Spiritual Development		
Jesus' Life and Teaching	Building a Relationship with God	
God's Creation	Catholic Traditions	

Achievement Standard: Learn about Jesus' Life and Teaching

Goals	Goals Three year old	Goals	Goals Transitional K
 Two-year old Listen to the story of Jesus' birth at Christmas <i>Examples:</i> Use a nativity set (such as Little People) Felt board story Trade books like <i>Who is Coming to Our House</i>? By Joseph Slate and Ashley Wolff 	Three-year old * Understand the story of Jesus' birth at Christmas Examples: * Use a nativity set (such as Little People) * Felt board story * Trade books like Who is Coming to Our House? By Joseph Slate and Ashley Wolff	Four-Year Old * Understand and attempt to retell the story of Jesus' birth at Christmas <i>Examples:</i> * Use a nativity set (such as Little People) * Felt board story	Transitional K * Understand and retell that at Christmas, we celebrate the birth of Jesus, God's son Examples: * Use a nativity set (such as Little People) * Felt board story
	 * Listen to stories that Jesus told to teach us about God <i>Examples:</i> * Loaves and Fishes 	 * Attempt to retell Jesus' stories orally <i>Examples:</i> * Use books such as: Noah's Ark, Good Samaritan, Zacchaeus Tax Collector, Mustard Seed 	 * Retell stories from Jesus orally <i>Examples:</i> * Use books such as: Good Samaritan, Zacchaeus, The Tax Collector, Mustard Seed

* Listen to stories about Easter and Jesus' death/resurrection <i>Examples</i> :	* Understand that the Easter season is about Jesus dying on the cross and rising again to bring us His New Life	* Attempt to retell the story of Easter Season, Jesus dying on the cross and rising again to bring us His New Life	 * Retell the story of Easter Season, Jesus dying on the cross and rising again to bring us His New Life Examples:
* Use felt board story or trade book such as <u>The Story of Easter</u> by Patricia Pingry	<i>Examples:</i> * Use felt board story or trade book such as <u>The Story of Easter</u> by Patricia Pingry	 Examples: * Using <u>The Easter Story</u> by Brian Wildsmith highlight: * Washing of the feet, Palm Sunday * Last Supper, Resurrection * Benjamin's Box by Melody Carlson and use Resurrection Eggs 	 * Using <u>The Easter Story</u> by Brian Wildsmith highlight: * Washing of the feet, Palm Sunday * Last Supper, Resurrection * <i>Benjamin's Box</i> by Melody Carlson and use Resurrection Eggs

Achievement Standard: Build	ling a Relationship with God	<u> </u>	
Acmevement Standard. Built			
Goals Fwo-year old	Goals Three-year old	Goals Four-Year Old	Goals Transitional K
 Participate in daily prayers and songs 	* Contribute personal prayers, participate in daily prayers and songs	 Contribute personal prayers, participate in daily prayers and songs 	* Contribute personal prayers, participate in daily prayers and songs
 Examples: * Pray before eating, open with a simple morning prayer 	<i>Examples:</i> * Pray before eating, open with a simple morning prayer and offer prayer petitions, pass around prayer beads	 <i>Examples:</i> * Prayers for those absent, pray before eating, open with a simple morning prayer and offer prayer petitions, pass around prayer beads 	 Examples: * Prayers for those absent, pray before eating, open with a simple morning prayer and offer prayer petitions, pass around prayer beads
* Listen to Bible Stories	* Listen to Bible stories and understand that they tell us about God's love	* Listen to Bible stories and understand that they tell us about God's love	* Listen to Bible stories and understand that they tell us about God's love
<i>Examples</i> : * Creation, Noah's Ark	 <i>Examples</i>: * Creation, Noah's Ark, Loaves and Fishes, and other stories from a Children's Bible 	<i>Examples:</i> * Creation, Noah's Ark, Loaves and Fishes, and other stories from a Children's Bible	<i>Examples:</i> * Creation, Noah's Ark, Loaves and Fishes, and other stories from a Children's Bible
 Attempt to make the Sign of the Cross with support 	* Attempt to make the Sign of the Cross with minimal support	* Correctly make the Sign of the Cross	* Correctly make the Sign of the Cross
		* Indicate understanding that there are three persons in one God and can name them; Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit	* Indicate understanding that there are three persons in one God and can name them; Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit
	* Generate questions and interest in learning about God	* Generate questions and interest in learning about God	* Generate questions and interest in learning about God
	* Listen and repeat traditional prayers	* Recall and pray traditional prayers with minimal support	* Recall and pray traditional prayers with independence
	<i>Examples:</i> * Glory Be…, Hail Mary, or Our Father	<i>Examples:</i> * Glory Be…, Hail Mary, or Our Father	<i>Examples:</i> * Glory Be…, Hail Mary, or Our Father

* Participate in acts of service	* Demonstrate understanding of and participate in acts of service	* Demonstrate understanding of and participate in acts of service	* Demonstrate understanding of and participate in acts of service
Examples:			
* Make cards for homebound parishioners	Examples: * Help make blankets * Dog treats for SPCA * Make cards for nursing home	<i>Examples:</i> * Brown Bag Ministry * Birthday kits for Catholic Parish Outreach	 Examples: * Packing lunches for homeless * Participate in book drive and warm clothing drive

Goals	Goals	Goals	Goals
Two-year old	Three-year old	Four-Year Old	Transitional K
* Observe nature's beauty	* Recognize nature's beauty	* Recognize and identify God's creation through nature's beauty	* Recognize and identify God's creation through nature's beauty
Examples:	Examples:		
* Nature walk	* Nature walk	Examples:	Examples:
		* Fall nature walk	* Fall nature walk
		* Winter animals/weather	* Winter animals/weather
		* New life/spring	* New life/spring
 * Express gratitude to God for all things he has made. 	* Express gratitude to God for all things he has made.	* Express gratitude to God for all things he has made.	* Express gratitude to God for all things he has made.
Examples:	Examples:	Examples:	Examples:
 * In prayer- for example, "Thank you God for flowers" 	* In prayer- for example, "Thank you God for flowers"	 * In prayer- for example, Thank you God for flowers or daily lunch prayer * Create thankful mats 	 * In prayer- for example, Thank you God for flowers or daily lunch prayer * Create thankful mats

Goals	Goals	Goals Four-Year Old	Goals Transitional K
Two-year old * Recognize that church is God's House	Three-year old * Recognize that church is God's house	* Recognize that church is God's House	* Recognize that church is God's House
Examples: * Visit the church or chapel as a class	<i>Examples:</i> * Visit the church or chapel as a class	Examples: * Visit the church or chapel as a class	<i>Examples:</i> * Visit the church or chapel as a class
		* Recognize some of the sacred vessels/elements used to celebrate Mass	* Recognize some of the sacred vessels/elements used to celebrate Mass
		<i>Examples:</i> * altar, altar cloth, paten, chalice, candles, cruets, flowers, Bible, etc.	<i>Examples:</i> * altar, altar cloth, paten, chalice, candles, cruets, flowers, Bible, etc.
 * Listen to stories about Saints <i>Examples:</i> * Introduction to relatable saints, like 	* Recognize Patron Saint of own school (if applicable) as well as other familiar saints.	* Recognize Patron Saint of own school (if applicable) as well as other familiar saints.	* Recognize Patron Saint of own school (if applicable) as well as other familiar saints
St. Nicholas or patron saint of school	Examples: * Introduction to relatable saints, like St. Nicholas or patron saint of School	Examples: * St. Francis, Nicholas, Valentine, Blaise	Examples: * St. Francis, Nicholas, Valentine, Blaise
	* Recognize colors used on altar or classroom prayer table reflects season of the liturgical calendar	* Identify colors used on altar or classroom prayer table reflects season of the liturgical calendar	* Discuss colors used on altar or classroom prayer table reflects season of the liturgical calendar
	Examples: * Change color of background or tablecloth for prayer table	 Examples: Change color of background or tablecloth for prayer table Liturgical colors song 	Examples: * Change color of background or tablecloth for prayer table * Liturgical colors song



Overarching Standard: Social	Self-	dependence ent	
Achievement Standard: Deve	lop Self-Awareness		
Goals Two-year old	Goals Three-year old	Goals Four-Year Old	Goals Transitional K
 Demonstrate awareness of own body. Examples: 	*Show awareness of some of their own characteristics and things they can do.	*Describe self (characteristics that can be seen, things they can do, things they like, possessions)	*Describe themselves in concrete ways, with greater detail and accuracy.
 Hands, feet, mouth, head, legs, arms, toes, fingers, etc 	Examples: *Recognize self in pictures * "I helped daddy"	Examples: *"I am wearing a blue coat"	Examples: *"My eyes are brown" "I am tall"
 Refers to self with support 	* Refers to self with support	* Refers to self	* Refers to self
Examples: * first name * gender: boy or girl * age	Examples: * first and last name * gender * age	<i>Examples:</i> * first and last name * age * gender	Examples: * first and last name * age * gender
	* Recognize being part of group, classroom, family, etc.	* Express sense of belonging to a group, classroom, family, etc.	* Express sense of belonging to a group, classroom, family, etc.
	<i>Examples:</i> * Name family members * Classmates or tell name of class	Examples: * Name family members * Classmates or tell name of class	<i>Examples:</i> * Name family members * Classmates or tell name of class

Goals	Goals	Goals	Goals
Two-year old	Three-year old	Four-Year Old	Transitional K
* Enter classroom with minimal adult assistance	* Enter classroom with minimal adult assistance	 * Enter classroom independently <i>Examples</i>: * Place coat, lunch/snack bag, etc in appropriate areas 	 * Enter classroom independently <i>Examples:</i> * Place coat, lunch/snack bag, etc i appropriate areas
		* Easily separate from parent	* Easily separate from parent
* Make decisions in the classroom <i>Examples:</i> * Locate own area for play	 * Demonstrate abilities to solve problems independently <i>Examples:</i> * Gather own supplies/toys for activities (with support) 	 * Solve problems independently <i>Examples:</i> * Gather own supplies/toys for activities 	 * Solve problems independently <i>Examples:</i> * Gather own supplies/toys for activities
 * Engage in play/activities with encouragement 	* Engage in play/activities with minimal encouragement	 * Initiate independent activities and offer ideas <i>Examples:</i> * Choose center activity * Participate in discussions at circle time 	 * Demonstrate independence with choosing activities and offering ideas <i>Examples:</i> * Choose center activity * Participate in discussions at circle time
Achievement Standard: Demo			
Goals Two-year old	Goals Three-year old	Goals Four-Year Old	Goals Transitional K
 Follow classroom rules and routines 	* Follow classroom rules and routines	* Follow classroom rules and routines	* Follow classroom rules and routines
* Receive and accept re-direction/ correction	* Respond positively to correction	* Respond positively to correction	* Respond positively to correction
Follow rules of activities with assistance	* Follow rules of activities with minimal assistance	* Follow rules of activities	* Follow rules of activities
	* Accept responsibility for own actions	* Accept responsibility for own actions	* Accept responsibility for own actions

* Demonstrate respect to and cooperation with others	* Demonstrate respect to and cooperation with others	* Respect others and cooperate in group activities	* Respect others and cooperate in group activities
Examples: * Understand that God loves everyone * Demonstrate concern for others	Examples: * Understand that God loves everyone * Demonstrate concern for others	Examples: * Understand that God loves everyone * Demonstrate concern for others	 <i>Examples:</i> * Understand that God loves everyone * Demonstrate concern for others
	* Learn to cope with changes and disappointments	* Learn to cope and accept changes and disappointments	* Cope and accept changes and disappointments
	<i>Examples</i> : * Respond to a timer; choose a new activity	<i>Examples:</i> * Respond to a timer; choose a new activity	<i>Examples:</i> * Respond to a timer: choose a new activity
* Utilize non-violent responses to deal with the feeling of frustration	* Utilize non-violent responses to deal with the feeling of frustration	* Utilize non-violent responses to deal with the feeling of frustration	* Utilize non-violent responses to deal with the feeling of frustration
	 * Manage conflict with support <i>Examples:</i> * Uses words with teacher support, such as "I'm sorry" or asking for a turn 	* Manage conflict with minimal support by using words	* Manage conflict with minimal support by using words
		* Identify social cues through body language	* Identify social cues through body language
		Examples: * Intentional vs. accidental * Empathy for others' emotions	Examples: * Intentional vs. accidental * Empathy for others' emotions
 Initiate basic manners such as please and thank you 	* Apply basic manners such as please and thank you	* Apply manners such as please and thank you	* Apply manners such as please and thank you

	oaches to Play and Learning		
	Curiosity and Interest	Engagement	
	Creativity and	Cooperative	
	Creative Expression	Play and Learning	
	ess Curiosity and Interest in the Wo		Goale
Goals	Goals	Goals	Goals Transitional K
			Goals Transitional K * Demonstrate enthusiasm when discovering new things by asking probing questions
Goals Two-year old * Show curiosity in students'	Goals Three-year old * Demonstrate enthusiasm when	Goals Four-Year Old * Demonstrate enthusiasm when discovering new things by sharing	Transitional K * Demonstrate enthusiasm when discovering new things by asking
Goals <u>Two-year old</u> * Show curiosity in students' surroundings. <u>Examples:</u> * Inquire verbally, point, use facial	Goals Three-year old * Demonstrate enthusiasm when discovering new things by sharing <i>Examples:</i> * Clap, smile, repeat, imitate others,	Goals Four-Year Old * Demonstrate enthusiasm when discovering new things by sharing and asking questions Examples: * Use of verbal and non-verbal	Transitional K * Demonstrate enthusiasm when discovering new things by asking probing questions <i>Examples:</i> * Use of verbal and non-verbal

		* Investigate by taking risks without fear of making mistakes	 Investigate by taking risks without fear of making mistakes
 Discover the use of their senses in the world around them 	 Discover the use of their five senses in the world around them 	* Explore the use of their five senses in the world around them	 * Explore and demonstrate the use of their five senses in the world around them
Examples:	Examples:	Examples:	Examples:
 * See, smell, taste, hear and touch * Explore with a variety of materials 	* See, smell, taste, hear, and touch * Explore with a variety of materials	 * See, smell, taste, hear and touch * Explore and experiment with a variety of materials 	 * See, smell, taste, hear and touch * Explore and experiment with a variety of materials

Achievement Standard: Demonstrate Various Levels of Engagement				
Goals	Goals	Goals	Goals	
Two-year old	Three-year old	Four-Year Old	Transitional K	
* Show the act of sharing with support	* Demonstrate the act of sharing and taking turns with others with support	* Demonstrate the act of sharing and taking turns with others with minimal support	* Demonstrate the act of sharing and taking turns with others	
* Imitate interactive play with teacher support	* Engage in play with other children <i>Examples:</i>	* Initiate play with other children <i>Examples:</i>	* Cooperatively interact with other children.	
Examples:	* Solicit engagements with other	* Approach other children to solicit	Examples:	
* Play kitchen/cook/server, etc.	children by asking "can you play	play activities	* Share ideas and other ways to do	
* Show positive emotions taking	with me?"	* Identify another child as their friend	things	
turns with other children	* Offer to share toys/supplies		* Work on tasks with other children	
* Show awareness of peers	* Form friendships with other children	* Form and maintain friendships with other children	* Form and maintain friendships with other children	
Examples:	Examples:			
* Play in the same center as a	* Invites and/or plays cooperatively	Examples:	Examples:	
classmate	with classmates	 Invites and/or plays cooperatively with classmates 	 Invites and/or plays cooperatively with classmates 	
 Develop ability to continue or return to activities after interruptions with support 	* Develop ability to continue or return to activities after interruptions with support	* Demonstrate ability to continue or return to activities after interruptions	* Demonstrate ability to continue or return to activities after interruptions	
	* Contribute to discussions with support	 Contribute to discussions with minimal support 	* Contribute to discussions	

Achievement Standard: Engage in Creative, Cooperative Play and Learning			
Goals Two-year old	Goals Three-year old	Goals Four-Year Old	Goals Transitional K
	 * Recognize the difference between pretend/fantasy and reality with minimal support <i>Examples:</i> * In a book, point out that animals can't talk in real life. 	 * Recognize the difference between pretend/fantasy and reality <i>Examples:</i> * In a book, point out that animals can't talk in real life * Recognize that when they play dress up or pretend play they are still "them" just "pretending" 	 * Describe the difference between pretend/fantasy and reality <i>Examples:</i> * In a book, point out that animals can't talk in real life * Recognize that when they play dress up or pretend play they are still "them" just "pretending"
 * Express ideas through art, music, movement, and drama with support <i>Examples:</i> * Play in dramatic play center, dance to music, paint or draw 	 * Express ideas through art, music, movement, and drama with minimal support <i>Examples:</i> * Discuss artwork, play in dramatic play, use simple instruments to play along with music, use puppets 	 * Express ideas through art, music, movement, and drama <i>Examples:</i> * Describe artwork, roleplay in dramatic play * Use instruments to play along with music or create own * Use puppets to tell a story 	 * Express ideas through art, music, movement, and drama <i>Examples</i>: * Describe artwork, roleplay in dramatic play * Use instruments to play along with music or create own * Use puppets to tell a story
 * Use familiar classroom/household objects for play <i>Examples</i> * Pots, pans, wooden spoons, etc. 	 * Combine familiar objects to use in creative ways <i>Examples:</i> * Build structures using items in classroom. 	 * Combine familiar objects to use in creative ways <i>Examples:</i> * Use Legos® as food while pretending to cook 	 Combine familiar objects to use in creative ways <i>Examples:</i> * Use a marker for a microphone while putting on a show in dramatic play
	* Pretend to be someone other than themselves during dramatic play	 * Expand on a variety of roles during dramatic play <i>Examples:</i> * Use props, actions, imitation * Create stories and/or songs during play 	 * Expand on a variety of roles during dramatic play <i>Examples:</i> * Use props, actions, imitation * Create stories and/or songs during play

 * Use imagination to express ideas or concepts with support <i>Examples:</i> * Discuss what is at the end of a rainbow * Look at clouds and discuss objects they may look like 	 * Use imagination to express ideas or concepts with minimal support <i>Examples:</i> * Discuss what is at the end of a rainbow * Look at clouds and discuss objects they may look like 	 * Use imagination to express ideas or concepts <i>Examples:</i> * Discuss what it would be like to be a train conductor. * Create images of bridges/buildings
 Integrate materials throughout activities and centers with support <i>Examples:</i> * Use paper from writing center to make pictures of cars for the city made in block center 	 Integrate materials throughout activities and centers with minimal support <i>Examples:</i> * Use paper from writing center to make pictures of cars for the city 	 Integrate materials throughout activities and centers <i>Examples:</i> * Use paper from writing center to make pictures of cars for the city made in block center
 * Demonstrate interest in playing with others <i>Examples:</i> * Join a group during play 	 made in block center * Demonstrate interest in playing with others <i>Examples:</i> * Join or invite others to play or engage in activities 	 Demonstrate interest in playing with others <i>Examples:</i> * Join or invite others to play or engage in activities * Create games to play with a friend or groups
 * Recognize that technology can be used as a tool for learning (with support) <i>Examples:</i> * With support, view website video of a butterfly emerging from a chrysalis 	 * Recognize that technology can be used as a tool for learning (with some support) <i>Examples:</i> * View website video about chicks hatching from eggs 	 * Recognize that technology can be used as a tool for learning <i>Examples:</i> * View website video about clouds

Achievement Standard: Creative Expression

Goals	Goals	Goals	Goals
Two-year old	Three-year old	Four-Year Old	Transitional K
MUSIC			
* Recall familiar songs and react to music	* Recall familiar songs and react to music	 Recall familiar songs and react to music 	* Recall familiar songs and react to music
 Examples: * Attempt to use voice expressively to speak and sing * Attempt to recall simple songs when in a group * Clap to sounds/music 	 Examples: * Attempt to use voice and body expressively to speak and sing * Attempt to recall simple songs when in a group * Mimic (with support) pitch and rhythmic patterns * Dance 	 Examples: * Generate clapping to beat of music/pattern * Participate by speaking, chanting or singing songs * Mimic pitch and rhythmic patterns * Dance 	 Examples: * Generate clapping to beat of music/pattern * Participate by speaking, chanting or singing songs * Mimic pitch and rhythmic patterns * Dance
	 * Describe characteristics of music <i>Examples:</i> * Fast, slow, quiet, loud, happy, sad 	 * Describe characteristics of music <i>Examples:</i> * Fast, slow, quiet, loud, happy, sad 	 * Discuss varieties of music and describe how a song makes a student feel <i>Examples:</i> * Fast, slow, quiet, loud, happy, sad
 * Attempt to make music using simple instruments/objects <i>Examples:</i> * Use egg shakers, hit pot with a spoon, clap blocks together 	 * Express interest in music by using simple instruments/objects to duplicate sounds <i>Examples:</i> * Use rhythm sticks, egg shakers, jingle bells 	 * Use simple instruments to play music independently/in a group <i>Examples:</i> * Use rhythm sticks, egg shakers, jingle bells, tambourines 	 * Play instrumental accompaniments to songs, recorded selections, stories, and poems <i>Examples:</i> * Use rhythm sticks, egg shakers, jingle bells, tambourines, handbells
ART-PROCESS OVER PRODUCT			
 * Explore various types of art/media freely <i>Examples:</i> * Use finger paints, crayons or markers * Glue strips of paper on another paper 	 * Explore and create various types of art <i>Examples</i>: * Create art with clay, crayons, markers, paint and collage materials 	 * Explore the properties of art materials and use with purpose to draw, paint, sculpt, etc. <i>Examples:</i> * Create art with clay, crayons, markers, paint and collage materials 	 * Plan and create artistic creations <i>Examples:</i> * Drawings * Paintings * Collages * Sculptures

* Describe own artwork	* Use art to tell a story	* Use art to tell a story
<i>Examples:</i>	Examples:	<i>Examples:</i>
* Show drawing: "This is my mom	* Show an illustration: "This is my	* Show painting of park: "This is
and dad."	mom and dad's car."	our family at a picnic"



Overarching Standard: Cognitive Develo	pment – Part 1		
	Problem- Solving	Organizational Skills	
	Memory	Language and Communication Development	

Achievement Standard: Problem-Solving

Goals	Goals	Goals	Goals
Two-year old	Three-year old	Four-Year Old	Transitional K
* Use available resources to accomplish a goal or solve a problem	* Use materials in new ways to explore and problem-solve	* Discuss and use materials in new ways to explore and problem-solve	* Discuss and use materials in new ways to explore and problem-solve
	Examples:	Examples:	Examples:
Examples: * Push a chair to a table/counter to reach for an object	 * Use a cup or bowl at water table when usual tool not available 	 * Use a block for a telephone * Make car ramps out of books 	 * Use a block for a telephone * Make car ramps out of books
	* Ask for assistance when unsuccessful	* Ask for assistance when unsuccessful	* Ask for assistance when unsuccessful
		* Employ self-talk to work through steps to solve problems	* Employ self-talk to work through steps to solve problems
		* Explain to others how a problem was solved	* Explain to others how a problem was solved
 Demonstrate interest in play and learning activities that offer a challenge 	* Demonstrate the ability to approach a challenge	* Accept new challenges with willingness to persevere	* Approach new challenging experiences independently with willingness to persevere
	Examples:	Examples:	
Examples: * Simple puzzles, shape sorters	 Provide "I can do it" when working on activity or playing 	 Provide "I can do it" when working on activity or playing even when unsuccessful 	<i>Examples:</i> *Provide "I can do it" even when unsuccessful

Achievement Standard: Organizational Skills

Goals Two-year old	Goals Three-year old	Goals Four-Year Old	Goals Transitional K
 Demonstrate willingness to assist in putting items away 	* Demonstrate willingness to assist in putting items away	* Demonstrate willingness to put items away	* Demonstrate willingness to put items away
* Reproduce sorting	 Reproduce sorting materials by categories 	* Create patterns of sorted materials and discuss	* Create patterns of sorted materials and discuss
Examples: * Follow sorting of blocks that teacher has created	 <i>Examples:</i> * Ability to copy sorted materials by colors, shapes, or sizes, etc. 	<i>Examples:</i> * Ability to sort materials by colors, shapes, and sizes, etc. and explain reasoning	<i>Examples:</i> * Ability to sort materials by colors, shapes and sizes, etc. and explain reasoning
* Develop organizational routines with support	 Develop organizational routines with minimal support 	* Demonstrate independence with daily organizational classroom routines	* Demonstrate independence with daily organizational classroom routines
<i>Examples:</i> * Put coat away, lunch box, backpack	 Examples: * Put personal items away when entering the classroom or gather belongings at the end of the day 	 <i>Examples</i>: * Put personal items away when entering the classroom or gather belongings at clean up and the end of the day 	<i>Examples:</i> * Put personal items away when entering the classroom or gather belongings at clean up and the end of the day
		* Describe and implement multiple steps given for a project or activity	* Describe and implement multiple steps given for a project or activity
		* Demonstrate awareness of the weekly schedule	* Demonstrate awareness of the weekly schedule
		<i>Examples:</i> * Specials, half-days, celebrations, etc.	<i>Examples:</i> * Specials, half-days, celebrations, etc.
	* Recognize (with minimal support) time limits for tasks or	* Manage time for tasks or activities	* Manage time for tasks or activities
	activities	 Examples: * Demonstrate ability to prepare for beginning or ending an activity/project 	 Examples: * Demonstrate ability to prepare for beginning or ending an activity/project

* Demonstrate (with support) awareness of transitional cues	* Demonstrate awareness and apply (with minimal support) transitional	* Engage in transitional cues	* Engage in transitional cues
<i>Examples:</i> * Transition song to move to next activity or clean up	cues <i>Examples:</i> * Transition song to move to next activity or clean up	Examples: * Transition song to move to next activity or clean up	Examples: * Transition song to move to next activity or clean up



Achievement Standard: Memory			
Goals Two-year old	Goals Three-year old	Goals Four-Year Old	Goals Transitional K
	* Relate past experiences and discuss	* Discuss past experiences in detail	* Discuss past experiences in detail
		Examples	Examples:
	Examples * Discuss vacation	* Discuss vacation or new house, etc.	* Discuss vacation or new house, etc.
	* Recall visual items/cues Examples:	* Recall and discuss visual items and auditory cues	* Recall and discuss visual items and auditory cues
	* Identify animals from <u>The Mitten</u> by Jan Brett after hearing the story read aloud	Examples: * Name animals from <u>The Mitten</u> by Jan Brett after hearing the story read aloud	Examples * Discuss events/characters, etc from class book from read aloud
		* Use prior knowledge to predict/ask questions	* Use prior knowledge to predict/ask questions

Achievement Standard: Langu	age and Communication Developn	nent	Г
Goals Two-year old	Goals Three-year old	Goals Four-Year Old	Goals Transitional K
* Respond to others by using simple words	* Respond to others using increased variety of words	* Demonstrate understanding of increasingly complex sentences	* Demonstrate understanding of increasingly complex sentences
* Respond to gestures, facial expressions, tone of voice, and words to demonstrate emotions	* Respond to gestures, facial expressions, tone of voice, and words to demonstrate emotions	* Respond (with prompting and support) to requests for information/action	* Respond to requests for information/action
* Follow simple directions with visual clues	* Follow two-step directions with visual clues, if needed	* Follow simple multi-step directions	* Follow multi-step instructions
Examples: * Hang up coat * Put book on the table	Examples: * Find snack bag and place it on the table	Examples: * Find snack bag, place it on the table, and wash your hands	Examples: * Find snack bag, place on blue table, line up and wash your hands
 * Use words more often than vocalizations and gestures to communicate 	* Use words as primary source of communication	* Use words to create more complex sentences	* Use words to create more complex sentence
 * Use movement or behavior to initiate interaction <i>Examples:</i> * Wave to a friend, touch arm to gain attention 	* Question or use verbal/nonverbal cues to initiate communication	* Initiate and communicate by asking questions about things of interest	 Initiate and participate in conversations related to interests of their own or the other person
	* Participate in simple conversations with support	* Participate in individual and group conversations with minimal support	* Participate in individual and group conversations
* Respond to simple statements and questions to gain information	* Respond to simple statements and questions to gain information	* Respond to detailed questions or statements to gain information	* Respond to complex questions with detailed explanation
<i>Examples</i> : * Answers: What is your name? * Answers: Do you like red or blue?	Examples: * Discussion with pictures * Discussion regarding current life events	Examples: * Discussion on why certain animals do things (jump, climb, prowl)	Examples: * I don't like to fly because I don't like to go up high in the sky

 * Act out familiar scenes and events and imitate familiar people <i>Examples</i>: * During dramatic play, feed a baby doll 	 * Discuss with others what they are working on, routines, events of the day <i>Examples</i>: * Compare lunch foods * Ask questions about others' art projects 	 * Describe experiences and create/retell short narratives <i>Examples</i>: * Retell a story with puppets or felt board 	 * Describe experiences and create/retell more detailed experiences <i>Examples:</i> * Retell a story with puppets or felt board
* Imitate parts of familiar songs, chants, or rhymes	* Recall and repeat familiar songs, chants, or rhymes	* Recall and repeat familiar songs, chants, or rhymes	* Recall and repeat familiar songs, chants, and rhymes
<i>Examples:</i> * Class transitional songs	Examples: * Class transitional songs * Nursery rhymes	<i>Examples:</i> * Class transitional songs * Finger plays	<i>Examples:</i> * Class transitional songs * Alphabet song
 * Demonstrate a steady increase in their vocabulary <i>Examples</i>: * Name a variety of animals * Identify familiar objects 	 * Demonstrate understanding of new vocabulary words for a variety of concepts <i>Examples:</i> * Big and little * In and out 	 * Demonstrate use of more than one word for the same object (synonyms) <i>Examples</i>: * Chair = seat * Dish = plate 	 * Use an increased vocabulary that includes different kinds of words to express ideas clearly <i>Examples:</i> * Instead of nice – use kind
PRELITERACY			
* Engage in reading behaviors independently Examples:	* Engage in reading behaviors independently <i>Examples:</i>	* Engage in reading behaviors independently <i>Examples:</i>	* Engage in reading behaviors independently with increased focus for longer periods of time
 * Show interest in books * Turn pages (may not be correct order) * Interpret story pictures 	 * Choose books * Turn pages (may not be correct order) * Recall story using the pictures * Pretend to read familiar books from memory 	 Show interest in books, other print and reading-related activities Recall story using the pictures Pretend to read familiar books Illustrate (with support) an event in the story 	 Examples: * Show interest in books, other print and reading-related activities * If not reading, pretend to read * Recall story using pictures * Illustrate an event in the story
* Listen to simple and repetitive books, stories, and songs	* Listen to simple and repetitive books, stories, and songs	 Listen to and discuss storybooks, simple informational books and poetry 	* Listen to and discuss increasingly complex storybooks, informational books, and poetry for longer periods of time
<i>Examples:</i> * Read books like <u>Brown Bear,</u>			

* Participate in experiences using rhythmic patterns in poems and songs <i>Examples:</i>	* Participate in songs, poems, and books that rhyme and have word play. <i>Examples:</i>	* Participate in songs, poems, and books that rhyme and have word play. <i>Examples:</i>
 Clapping Marching Using simple objects/instruments to make sounds 	* Complete refrains and fill in missing words and sounds.	 Repeat a variety of rhythmic patterns * Clap, march
	* Use knowledge of the world to make sense of stories and informational texts	 * Use knowledge of the world to make sense of stories and informational texts
	<i>Examples:</i> * What things are, how they work	<i>Examples:</i> * What things are, how they work
* Relate personal experiences to events described in books (with prompting and support)	* Relate personal experiences to events described in books	* Relate personal experiences to an increasing variety of events described in books
	* Discuss stories by asking questions and making predictions	* Discuss stories by asking questions and making predictions
* Recognize own name in print	* Recognize own name in print	* Recognize own name and a small amount of other names
* Discriminate between letters and. numbers	* Discriminate between letters and numbers	* Discriminate between letters and numbers
* Recognizes some letters of the alphabet, particularly those that make up their name	* Recognizes and names some letters of the alphabet, particularly those that make up their name	* Recognize an increasing amount of letters in the alphabet
	* Recognize some letters and their correct sounds	* Identify most letters and their correct sounds
	Examples: * S – snake * Identify first letter of their name in a list of letters	<i>Examples:</i> Sound out letters of alphabet Sound out letters in their name
	 rhythmic patterns in poems and songs <i>Examples:</i> Clapping Marching Using simple objects/instruments to make sounds * Relate personal experiences to events described in books (with prompting and support) * Recognize own name in print * Discriminate between letters and. numbers * Recognizes some letters of the alphabet, particularly those that 	rhythmic patterns in poems and songs books that rhyme and have word play. Examples: * Clapping * Clapping * Complete refrains and fill in missing words and sounds. * Using simple objects/instruments to make sounds * Use knowledge of the world to make sense of stories and informational texts * Relate personal experiences to events described in books (with prompting and support) * Relate personal experiences to events described in books (with prompting and support) * Discuss stories by asking questions and making predictions * Recognize own name in print * Recognize own name in print * Recognizes some letters of the alphabet, particularly those that make up their name * Recognize some letters and their correct sounds * Recognize some letters of the alphabet, particularly those that make up their name * Recognize some letters and their correct sounds

		* Recognize (with support) that books have an author, title and illustrator	 * Connect the sounds in a spoken word with letters in the written word <i>Examples:</i> * Say B – for ball (use picture) * Recognize that books have an author, title and illustrator
	 * Demonstrate basic understanding of some print concepts <i>Examples:</i> * Illustrations correspond to the print * Identity front / back of book 	 * Demonstrate understanding of some print concepts <i>Examples:</i> * Illustrations correspond to the print * Directionality of print * Upper case/lower case 	 Demonstrate understanding of basic print concepts <i>Examples:</i> * Read right to left * Directionality of print * Upper case/lower case
		 * Identify parts of a story and sequence using pictures/objects <i>Examples:</i> * Beginning, middle and end * With support, differentiate fiction from non-fiction <i>Examples:</i> * Respond: "Could this happen in real life?" 	 * Identify parts of a story and sequence using pictures/objects <i>Examples:</i> * Beginning, middle and end * Differentiate fiction from non-fiction <i>Examples:</i> * Respond: "How do you know this is real or not real?"
WRITING * Utilize "scribble" to begin printing on paper (mimics adult writing) <i>Examples:</i> * Use variety of writing tools (crayons, large pencils) to form shapes/objects	 * Utilize "scribble" and with support, create letter-like forms (mimics adult writing) <i>Examples:</i> * Use variety of writing tools (crayons, large pencils) to form shapes/objects * Begin to create letters of name * Transition from holding crayon or 	 * Form letters (with some accuracy) particularly, those that make up their name <i>Examples:</i> * Write letters in sand * Form letters using play dough * Hold writing tools with tripod grasp 	Form letters particularly, those that make up their name Hold writing tools with tripod grasp

pencil in fist to holding it in betw thumb and forefinger	veen	
* Copy and trace own name with correct capitalization (with suppo		* Write own name with correct capitalization
	* Engage in writing behaviors that imitate real-life situations	* Independently engage in writing behaviors for various purposes
	 Examples: * Pretend to take orders for food at dramatic play center * Write a grocery list 	 Examples: * Write lists with symbols/letters in pretend play * Write messages that include letters/symbols.
	 * Represent thoughts and ideas through illustrations <i>Example:</i> * Draw a picture, write a card 	 * Represent thoughts and ideas through illustrations adding letters or letter-like forms <i>Example:</i> * Draw a picture, write a card
		 * Imitate adult writing conventions <i>Examples</i>: * Separate groups of words by spaces * Attempt to write on the lines on paper * Use the enter key on the computer to generate line spacing

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Aathematical	Scientific
Thinking and	Exploration
Expression	and Knowledge

Achievement Standard: Mathematical Thinking and Expression

Goals	Goals	Goals	Goals
Two-year old	Three-year old	Four-Year Old	Transitional K
Numbers and Quantities			
* Explore quantity	* Explore quantity	* Explore quantity	* Explore quantity
Examples:	Examples:	Examples:	Examples:
* Use containers to fill and spill	 Recognize that some containers hold different amounts 	* Compare different volumes of materials in containers	* Estimate how many scoops to fill a container
	 Rote count in order to 10 with increasing accuracy 	* Rote count in order to 20 with increasing accuracy	* Rote count in order to 20+ with increasing accuracy.
* Demonstrate understanding of numbers and quantities during play and other activities	* Demonstrate understanding of numbers and quantities during play and other activities	* Compare visually two groups of objects that are equal or unequal in quantity and indicate "same" or different"	* Compare the number of items in small sets of objects (up to five objects) by matching or counting
Examples:	Examples:		Examples:
* Identify that three blocks stacked is	* Identify the difference between	Examples:	* Use language such as "more than",
smaller than 6 blocks stacked	small/large sets of quantities using	* Identify two sets of 4 cubes as the	"less than" and "equal to" to
* Recognize five crayons are more than 2 crayons	small objects	same * Use 10-frame as visual tool	describe quantitiesUse a 10-frame as visual tool
* Experiment with counting sets of 1- 3 objects <i>Examples</i> :	* Demonstrate counting up to five objects arranged in a line using one-to-one correspondence with some accuracy	* Demonstrate counting up to 10 objects arranged in a line using one-to-one correspondence with increased accuracy	* Demonstrate counting up to 10 objects arranged in a line using one-to-one correspondence with accuracy
* Use blocks, counters, manipulatives			E very test
	Examples: * Respond to "how many?"	Examples: * Uses counters or blocks	Examples: * Uses counters or blocks

	* Recognize numerals 1-3	* Recognize numerals 1-10	* Recognize numerals 1-10+
	* Identify ordinal numbers (with support)	* Identify ordinal numbers with some accuracy	* Identify ordinal numbers with accuracy
	<i>Examples:</i> * First or second	Examples: * First, second, third, fourth and fifth * The red train is first, the green one is second	Examples: * Organize classmates in ordered line- first through tenth
Sorting, Measurement and Patterns			
* Compare size and weight of objects Examples:	 * Recognize size and amount when labeling objects, people, and collections 	* Use descriptive language for size, length and weight	* Use descriptive language for size, length and weight
 * Free play with a balance, point out heaviness and size of objects 	Examples: * Responds "big house", "tiny chair," etc.	 Examples: * Responds "tall building", "short tree", "long hallway", "heavy box", "big dog" 	 Examples: * Responds "tall building", "short tree", "long hallway", "heavy box", "big dog"
	 * Use simple measurement tools (standard/non-standard)-(with support) to measure objects 	 * Use simple measurement tools (standard/non-standard) to measure objects 	* Use simple measurement tools (standard/non-standard) to measure objects
	<i>Examples:</i> * Measuring cup or scale * Use blocks to measure foot	<i>Examples:</i> * Measuring cup, ruler, or scale	<i>Examples</i> : * Measuring cup, ruler, or scale
	* Compare size, length and weight of two objects and identify differences	* Compare size, length and weight of two objects and identify differences	* Compare more than two objects by size, length, or weight
	<i>Examples:</i> * Respond "that rock is heavier than that one" or "this snake is longer than the other one."	 Examples: * Responds "that rock is heavier than that one" or "a snake is longer than that one", or "that bird is taller than that one." 	 Examples: * Describe lengths of three different strings of yarn * Describe weight of three different rocks
* Sort objects of same colors/sizes	 Classify familiar objects into categories 	* Classify familiar objects into categories with increasing accuracy	* Classify familiar objects into categories with accuracy
Examples: * Put all the blue buttons in a jar * Sort teddy bears by color	<i>Examples:</i> * Juice, milk, water (drinks)	<i>Examples:</i> * Utensils for cooking * Crayon or markers for writing	<i>Examples</i> : * Cars, trucks, boats (vehicles)
 Imitate pattern of sounds and physical movements 	 Recognize and recreate repeating patterns 	* Recognize and recreate repeating patterns	* Duplicate and extend simple patterns using concrete objects

<i>Examples</i> : * Clap, clap	 <i>Examples:</i> * Repeat movement pattern while singing songs * Create a line of Legos in alternating colors 	<i>Examples</i> : * Explain what comes next in pattern of beads	<i>Examples:</i> * Describe next color or size in a line of patterned objects
Space and Shapes * Identify and name simple positional words with support <i>Examples:</i> * Up/down or over/under	 * Demonstrate understanding of positions in space by using position words <i>Examples:</i> * Be first or last in line * Place the toy on top of the shelf * Front/behind 	 Consistently demonstrate understanding of positional words <i>Examples:</i> * Front/behind * Above/below * Over/under * In/out 	 * Consistently demonstrate understanding of positional words Examples: * Front/behind * Above/below * Over/under * In/out
 * Differentiate circle, square, and triangle Examples: * Place shapes in shape sorter using trial and error 	 * Match and identify circle, square, rectangle, and triangle <i>Examples:</i> * Create pictures identifying shapes 	 * Identify basic shapes and describe their characteristics using descriptive/geometric attributes <i>Examples</i>: * Respond "The light is a circle because it is round" 	 * Identify basic shapes and describe their characteristics using descriptive/geometric attributes <i>Examples:</i> * Respond "The light is a circle because it is round" * Respond "the box is square because it has sides"
 * Use simple shapes to create Examples: * Build with different shapes of blocks * Glue cut out shapes on paper 	 * Identify shapes in the environment and describe them <i>Examples</i>: * Respond "I see the moon and it is a circle" 	 * Use 2 and 3 dimensional shapes to create pictures, designs, and structures <i>Examples</i>: * Glue a triangle and square to make a house 	 * Use 2 and 3 dimensional shapes to represent real-world objects <i>Examples</i>: * Explain "I used a circle to make a snowman" * Explain "we built a house using square blocks"
	 * Illustrate using concrete materials to represent mathematical ideas <i>Examples:</i> * Draw many circles to show many people * Use popsicle sticks to show how many students are in class 	 * Illustrate using concrete materials to represent an increasing variety of mathematical ideas <i>Examples</i>: * Create shapes to represent patterns * Graphing classmates' answers by stacking blocks 	 * Illustrate using concrete materials to represent an increasing variety of mathematical ideas <i>Examples:</i> * Create shapes to represent patterns * Graphing classmates' answers by stacking blocks

		 * Explain (with minimal support) how a mathematical problem was solved <i>Examples:</i> * Respond "I see five students and need five crackers" 	 * Explain how a mathematical problem was solved <i>Examples:</i> * Respond "I always see a blue sticker after a red sticker, so I put the blue one next"
Achievement Standard: Scienti	fic Exploration and Knowledge		
Goals Two-year old	Goals Three-year old	Goals Four-Year Old	Goals Transitional K
* Refer to Achievement Standard: Express curiosity and interest in the world God has created	* Refer to Achievement Standard: Express curiosity and interest in the world God has created	* Refer to Achievement Standard: Express curiosity and interest in the world God has created	* Refer to Achievement Standard: Express curiosity and interest in the world God has created
 Examples: * Explore indoors/outdoors * Notice/interact with small insects, smell flowers, run through leaves 	Examples: * Explore indoors/outdoors * Ask questions about natural surroundings * Gather rocks, etc.	<i>Examples:</i> * Observe and react to the natural world and outdoor environment	 Examples: * Observe and react to the natural world and outdoor environment
* Participate in caring for living things with support	* Participate in caring for living things with support	* Participate in caring for living things <i>Examples</i> :	* Demonstrate responsibility for the care of living things
<i>Examples:</i> * Fill bird feeder	<i>Examples:</i> * Water plants * Feed classroom pet	* Class job of watering plants	<i>Examples</i> : * Plant/weed classroom garden
	* Observe and describe (with support) characteristics of plants and animals	* Observe and describe characteristics of plants and animals	* Observe and describe characteristics of plants and animals
	<i>Examples:</i> * Needs of living things * Life cycles	<i>Examples</i> : * Needs of living things * Life cycles	 <i>Examples</i>: * Discuss appearance, similarities, differences, habits and behavior * Describe what plants and animals need to live and grow (water, sunlight, food)
	* Observe and describe (with support) current weather conditions	* Observe and describe current weather conditions	 * Observe and describe current weather conditions and seasonal changes

	Examples:	Examples:	Examples:
	Examples:	Examples:	Examples:
	* Look out classroom window and	* Look out classroom window and	* Look out classroom window and
	describe what they see: sunny,	describe what they see: windy,	describe what they see: windy,
	cloudy, etc.	sunny	sunny
		* Describe temperature; hot/cold	* Describe temperature; hot/cold
			* Discuss what happens in winter or
			summer
	* Observe and describe predict (with	* Observe, predict and describe (with	* Observe, predict and describe
	support) properties of materials and	support) changes that take place	changes that take place (scientific
	changes in substances	(scientific method)	method)
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	Examples:	Examples:	
	* Water freezes and makes ice	* Clay hardens when air hits it	Examples:
	* Pudding thickens	* Mixing liquid with a solid substance	* Ice melts when it gets warmer
			loc mens when it gets warmer
	* Create and check predictions	* Create and check predictions	* Create and check predictions
	through observations and	through observations and	through observations and
	experimentation (with support)	experimentation (with minimal	experimentation
		support)	
	Examples:		Examples:
	* Plant and water seeds to observe	Examples:	* Plant and water seeds; observe
	and describe progress	* Plant and water seeds to observe	progress, track growth (with
	and describe progress		
		and describe progress	support)
		* Participate in activities that help to	* Participate in activities that help to
		care for the environment and	care for the environment and
		explain (with support) why this is	explain why this is important
		important	
		important	Examples:
		Examples:	
		Examples:	* Gather cans/plastic containers from
		* Clean up school grounds	snack/lunch to recycle
		* Recycle classroom paper	* Plant a school garden
* Explore objects and materials by	* Explore objects and materials by	* Observe objects, materials, and	* Compare objects, materials, and
handling them in various ways	handling them in various ways	phenomena and describe	phenomena by observing and
Handling them in valious ways	nanuling unem in valious ways		
Examples:	Examples:	observations	describing their physical
Examples:	Examples:	Evenentee	characteristics
* Move toys from one space to	* Use sensory table for scooping,	Examples:	
another	pouring, sifting and dumping with a	* Temperature, texture, weight, color,	Examples:
* Fill/dump containers at sand/water	variety of materials, such as beans,	size, etc., such as observing ice	* Temperature, texture, weight, color,
table	rice, oatmeal, etc.	cubes	size, etc. such as observing ice
			cubes

	 * Use simple tools to manipulate and explore objects and materials (with support) <i>Examples:</i> * Use a magnifying glass to view small objects 	 * Use simple tools to investigate objects and materials <i>Examples</i>: * Use a magnifying glass to view small objects * Use ramps to roll balls/cars 	 * Use an increasing variety of tools to investigate the world around them <i>Examples</i>: * Measuring cups * Balance * Prism * Droppers
	* Question to inquire about the natural world	* Question to inquire about the natural world	* Question and identify ways to find answers
	Examples: * Ask: "Why do leaves fall down from trees?"	Examples: * Ask: "Why do squirrels eat acorns?" * View books * Use computer (with support) * Experiments	Examples: * Ask: "Why is the sky blue?" * View books * Use computer (with support) * Experiments
		* Manipulate the environment to produce desired effects and invent solutions to problems	* Manipulate the environment to produce desired effects and invent solutions to problems
		Examples:	Examples:
		* Use a string to pull a toy	* experiment with car on incline and decline
* Create simple graphs (with support)	* Collect and record data (with support)	* Collect, record and explain data	* Collect, record and explain data
Examples:		Examples:	Examples:
* Class graph of favorite apple after	Examples:	* Use simple chart/graph	* Use simple chart/graph
tasting red and green	* Use manipulatives	* Draw pictures	* Draw pictures
	* Illustrate and graph		* Explain results



Overarching Standard: Phys	sical Development and Health		
	Self-Care	Movement and Motor evelopment	
	Physical Health	Safety Awareness	
Achievement Standard: Self	-Care		
Goals	Goals	Goals	Goals
Achievement Standard: Self Goals Two-year old		Goals Four-Year Old	Goals Transitional K
Goals	Goals		
Goals Two-year old * Communicate personal care	Goals Three-year old * Communicate personal care	Four-Year Old * Demonstrate independence	Transitional K * Demonstrate independence

<i>Examples</i> : * (Begins to) Indicate toilet needs	Examples: * Indicate toilet needs consistently * Use restroom independently	<i>Examples:</i> * Use restroom independently	<i>Examples:</i> * Use restroom independently
* Develop understanding of hygienic practices	* Demonstrate (with minimal support) hygienic practices	* Demonstrate independent hygienic practices	* Demonstrate Independent hygienic practices
Examples:	Examples:	Examples:	Examples:
* Hand washing, sneezing/coughing into elbow or sleeve, dental care, etc.	* Hand washing, sneezing/coughing into elbow or sleeve, dental care, etc.	* Hand washing, sneezing/coughing into elbow or sleeve, dental care, etc.	* Hand washing, sneezing/coughing into elbow or sleeve, dental care, etc.
* Develop ability (with support) to attempt independent self-care routines	* Demonstrate (with minimal support) independent self-care routines	* Demonstrate independent self- care routines	* Demonstrate independent self- care routines
		Examples:	Examples:
Examples:	Examples:	* Put own coat/sweater on/off	* Put own coat/sweater on/off
* Put own coat/sweater on	* Put own coat/sweater on	* Zip/Unzip clothing	* Zip/Unzip clothing
* Attempt to unzip clothing	* Attempt to unzip clothing	* Feed self	* Feed self
* Feed self	* Feed self	* Put shoes on	* Put shoes, work on tying
	* Put shoes on	* Button/un-button clothing	* Button/un-button clothing
	* Attempt button/un-button clothing		

Achievement Standard: Fine M Goals	Goals	Goals	Goals
Two-year old	Three-year old	Four-Year Old	Pre-K, Transitional, etc.
* Develop fine muscle control and coordination	* Develop fine muscle control and coordination	* Develop fine muscle control and hand-eye coordination to manipulate objects and work with	* Develop fine muscle control and hand-eye coordination to manipulate objects and work with
Examples:	Examples:	tools	tools
 Use multiple writing tools to draw/color 	 * Paint with large brush on paper * Turn book pages one at a time 		
* Stack small objects	* Attempt to hold scissors correctly	Examples:	Examples:
* Roll/pick up ball	* Draw simple shapes/figures	* Forks, crayons, tongs, markers, etc.	* Hold scissors correctly to cut along
* Insert peg in pegboard	* Manipulate clay/play dough	* Hold scissors correctly to cut along	a line
* Fill/empty water or sand containers		a line	* Forks, crayons, tongs/tweezers
* Paint with fingers or large brush			markers, etc.
			* Spray bottle, hole puncher, etc.



Achievement Standard: Gross			
Goals	Goals	Goals	Goals
Two-year old	Three-year old	Four-Year Old	Transitional K
 Develop strength, balance and coordination by repeating movements 	* Develop strength, balance and coordination by repeating movements	 Coordinate movement of upper and lower body 	* Coordinate movement of upper and lower body
		Examples:	Examples:
Examples: * Throw large ball with two hands * Bend and straighten * Stand up and sit down * Jump and run	Examples: * Throw large ball with two hands * Balance on one foot (right/left) * Walk backward * Run, jump, attempt galloping * Kick a ball * Dance	 * Skipping, balancing on beams, hopping from one place to another, jump, run 	* Skipping, balancing on beams, hopping from one place to another
* Select and use familiar objects that encourage large motor movements	* Select and use familiar objects that encourage large motor movements	* Select and use familiar objects that encourage large motor movements and activities	* Select and use familiar objects that encourage large motor movements and activities
Examples:	Examples:		
* Riding toys, crawl tubes	* Riding toys, crawl tubes	Examples:	Examples:
* Attempt to throw large/small ball in basket	* Throw small/large ball in basket	* Balls, slides * Jump rope	* Balls, slides * Jump rope
	* Refine movements and demonstrate adequate hand-eye coordination	* Refine movements and demonstrate adequate hand-eye coordination	* Refine movements and demonstrate hand-eye coordination
	Examples:	Examples:	Examples:
	* Attempt to throw/catch balls	* Throw/catch balls	* Throw/catch/ balls
	* Toss bean bag in basket	* Attempt to dribble ball	* Dribble ball
		* Ring toss * Batting	* Ring toss * Batting

Achievement Standard: Mov	vement		
Goals	Goals	Goals	Goals
Two-year old	Three-year old	Four-Year Old	Transitional K
* Develop strength and stamina with movements over brief periods of time	* Develop strength and stamina using large muscles and participate in physical activity for an increased period of time	* Develop strength and stamina by playing vigorously for moderate periods of time	* Develop strength and stamina by playing vigorously for extended periods of time
Examples:		Examples:	Examples:
* Shake a parachute	Examples:	* Shake a parachute	* Shake a parachute
* March until music stops	* Shake a parachute	* March until music stops	* March until music stops
	* March until music stops	* Run on playground	* Run on playground
	* Run on playground	* Climb play structures	* Climb play structures
	* Choose a variety of structured and unstructured physical activities while indoors/outdoors	* Choose a variety of structured and unstructured physical activities while indoors/outdoors	* Participate in structured and unstructured motor activities building strength, speed, flexibility and coordination
	Examples:	Examples:	
	* Climb on playground equipment	* Jump rope	Examples:
	* Play hopscotch or hide and seek	* Participate in chasing games	* Play basketball
		* Red Light, Green Light game	 * Participate in chasing games * Red Light, Green Light game
	* Transition from active to quiet	* Transition from active to quiet	* Transition independently from
	activities with support	activities with limited support	active to quiet activities

Goals Two-year old	Goals Three-year old	Goals Four-Year Old	Goals Transitional K	
* Develop healthy eating habits	* Develop healthy eating habits	* Describe and select healthy food choices	* Describe and select healthy food choices	
Examples: * Recognize healthy foods	<i>Examples:</i> * Identify and choose healthy foods	 <i>Examples:</i> * Discuss how vegetables are nutritious and soda/candy are not * Choose healthy snacks 	Examples: * Discuss how vegetables are nutritious and soda/candy are not * Choose healthy snacks	
		* Discuss food preferences, textures, temperatures and tastes	* Discuss food preferences, textures, temperatures and tastes	
		<i>Examples:</i> * Hot soup, crunchy cookies, sweet apples	<i>Examples:</i> * Hot soup, crunchy cookies, sweet apples	
		* Identify foods and beverages that help build healthy bodies	* Identify foods and beverages that help build healthy bodies	
		Examples: * Milk * Green vegetables * Fish	Examples: * Milk * Green vegetables * Fish	
* Participate in a variety of indoor/outdoor physical activities	* Participate in a variety of indoor/outdoor physical activities	* Participate in a variety of indoor/outdoor physical activities	* Participate in a variety of indoor/outdoor physical activities	
 * Identify some body parts when named <i>Examples:</i> * Head, eyes, lips, ears, nose, leg, etc. 	 * Identifies and names certain body parts <i>Examples:</i> * Head, eyes, lips, ears, nose, leg, etc. 	 * Identify body parts and functions <i>Examples:</i> * Eyes – to see * Arms – to lift and hold 	 * Identify body parts and functions <i>Examples:</i> * Eyes – to see * Arms – to lift and hold 	

Goals	Goals	Goals	Goals
Two-year old	Three-year old	Four-Year Old	Transitional K
* Show understanding (with support)	* Demonstrate understanding (with	* Demonstrate understanding of	* Demonstrate understanding of
of following basic health and safety	some support) of following basic	following basic health and safety	following basic health and safety
rules	health and safety rules	rules	rules
Examples:	<i>Examples:</i>	<i>Examples</i> :	<i>Examples:</i>
* Keep fingers out of your nose and	* Cough in elbow, use a tissue to	* Cough in elbow, use a tissue to	* Cough in elbow, use a tissue to
mouth	wipe nose	wipe nose	wipe nose
* Wash hands	* Proper handwashing	* Proper handwashing	* Proper handwashing
	 * Recognize unsafe activity Examples: * Realize importance to stay with teacher at all times 	 * Recognize unsafe activity <i>Examples:</i> * Realize throwing rocks on playground is an unsafe action 	 * Recognize unsafe activity <i>Examples:</i> * Realize that climbing on bookshelf is an unsafe action
 * Identify (with support) people they	 * Identify (with support) people they	* Identify people they can go to when	 Identify people they can go to when
can go to when they feel afraid or	can go to when they feel afraid or	they feel afraid or need help to feel	they feel afraid or need help to feel
need help to feel safe	need help to feel safe	safe	safe
Examples:	<i>Examples:</i>	<i>Examples:</i>	<i>Examples:</i>
* Family, caregivers, teachers,	* Family, caregivers, teachers,	* Family, caregivers, teachers,	* Family, caregivers, teachers,
emergency responders, etc.	emergency responders, etc.	emergency responders, etc.	emergency responders, etc.
* Follow directions during safety drills (with support)	* Follow directions during safety drills (with support)	* Follow directions during safety drills Examples:	* Follow directions during safety drills Examples:
Examples: * Fire, tornado, lockdown	Examples: * Fire, tornado, lockdown	* Fire, tornado, lockdown	* Fire, tornado, lockdown





Diocese of Raleigh Office of Education Early Childhood/Preschool Narrative Assessment Tool

Purpose: The purpose of this Student Assessment is the utilization of a common assessment tool throughout the Early Childhood Centers/Preschools in the Diocese of Raleigh Catholic Schools. Teachers will follow the cycle chart on the following page for each student.

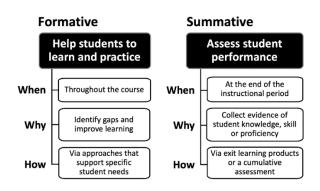
Recommended Procedure

Using the Achievement Standards and Age Level Goals, teachers will write brief narratives using the following statements:

- I can...
- I am working on...

Work samples should be collected to reflect supportive evidence of the narrative; a copy may be passed on to the next year's teacher.

In general, assessments are categorized as formative or summative (see graphic below). However, in early childhood education, best practice is on-going, authentic, formative assessment. Teacher observations drive instructional planning so that all children's needs are met. Knowing where a child is on the developmental continuum allows for goal setting and differentiation of instruction.



Assessment Cycle

Early Fall	Fall	Fall/Winter	Spring	Late Spring
Gather evidence and on- going data collection process. (Teacher to use only to drive instruction and differentiation).	First narrative to parents.	Parent Conference See below *	Gather evidence and on-going data collection process. (Teacher to use only to drive instruction and differentiation).	Parents receive second narrative.
Best practice is to show growth example, a self-portrait from the				Spring Narrative. For
*At least one parent conference If the conference is in the winte			fall, the narrative can be se	ent home in conjunction.



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Student's name:	Age level/Classroom:	
Date of assessment:	Teacher:	
Name of Early Childhood Center/Preschool:		
Fall Spring		

Achievement Standards focus on: Jesus' Life and Teaching; Building a Relationship with God; God's Creation; and Catholic Traditions

I am learning...

I display...

Social and Emotional Development
Achievement Standards focus on: Self-Awareness; Independence; and Self-Management
I can
l am working on
Approaches to Play and Learning
Achievement Standards focus on: Curiosity and Interest; Engagement; Creative and Cooperative Play and Learning; and Creative Expression
I can
I am working on

Cognitive Development – Part 1

Achievement Standards focus on: Problem-Solving; Organizational Skills; Memory; Language and Communication Development = Preliteracy and Writing

I can...

I am working on ...

Cognitive Development – Part 2

Achievement Standards focus on: Mathematical Thinking and Expression; Numbers/Quantities; Sorting, Measurement, Patterns; Space & Shapes; and Scientific Exploration and Knowledge

I can...

I am working on ...

Physical Development and Health

Achievement Standards focus on: Self-Care; Fine Motor; Gross Motor; Movement; Physical Health & Nutrition; and Safety Awareness

I can...

I am working on ...



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Live Binders

The Early Childhood/Preschool standards and the narrative assessment tool are available in the ECC/PS Standards Live Binder which is located on the Office of Education website.

www.dioceseofraleigh.org

Your director/administrator can provide the log-in and password if you do not already have it.

Additional resources:

https://www.academia.edu/7721591/Best Practices in Assessment in Early Childhood Education