

TRANSITIONAL KINDERGARTEN

Now Available at Tall Pines Nursery School

Tall Pines is pleased to offer an exciting new program for children who meet the age requirements but are not quite ready to enter kindergarten. Our Transitional Kindergarten Program bridges the path between preschool and kindergarten and gives families an additional option to ensure their children enter kindergarten with the maturity, confidence and skills they need to excel. TK provides the gift of time that will help students build a strong foundation for success in elementary school.

Transitional Kindergarten is a program that:

- provides children the **gift of time** to learn skills that will help them **build a strong foundation** for success in elementary school.
- **serves as a bridge** between Preschool and Kindergarten giving children more time for **hands-on, interactive learning.**
- gives children the opportunity to spend time learning important **social, emotional and academic skills** that will help them **succeed in Kindergarten and beyond.**
- Our daily transitional kindergarten schedule includes whole group instruction and activities, small group instruction, independent and "hands-on" learning. The Transitional Kindergartners enjoy snack and recess with their class and participate in activities such as music, art, and motor skills development.

The teachers provide individualized instruction by observing each child's growth patterns, learning style, and personality and adjusting her interactions & lessons as needed. Children are encouraged to explore, gain information and master new skills through real life situations and hands-on activities within learning centers and teacher directed lessons. The teacher will add to the learning experience by asking open ended questions, adding materials to further the child's involvement, and interacting in a way that promotes the development of problem solving and social skills.

The Transitional Kindergarten Program hours are from 9:00 am – 12:pm or 12:00pm – 3:00pm Monday-Friday. With the exception of a few days, our school follows the Pearl River School district calendar so please check your calendar for any differences.