St. Brendan School Transitional Kindergarten

Through purposeful experiences within a nurturing school community, the Transitional Kindergarten Program will prepare students for the academic and socio-emotional expectations essential to the St. Brendan School Kindergarten Program.

The Transitional Kindergarten Program builds on the developmental milestones and foundational learning of preschool. As children continue to advance in their growth and development, providing a challenging yet nurturing environment and experiences is essential. Children will engage in the important foundational learning through friendship building that fosters cooperation and a sense of community while developing a strong and positive sense of self.

Through active engagement and intentional teaching practices, our teachers will facilitate learning experiences that ensure students advance in skills in pre-academic areas such as early literacy, math, and science and in other essential areas such as art, social and emotional well-being, and health and wellness. In doing so, TK students will develop a love for life-long learning and begin their educational journey to becoming creative thinkers, peaceful problem solvers, compassionate collaborators, and diligent learners.

The Transitional Kindergarten program facilitates oral language development, preliteracy skills, early math skills, large and small motor development, social and emotional learning, and self-regulation skills that form the foundation for learning and being successful in school. The program integrates across subject areas, and students participate in whole and small group activities and have ample indoor and outdoor play opportunities.

Transitional Kindergarten Schedule

Arrival Time 7:30 am - 8:00 am	Group Meeting 10:30 am - 11:00 am
School Begins 8:00 am	Lunch/Outdoor Play 11:00 am - 11:45 am
Morning Meeting 8:00 am - 8:20 am	Quiet Time 12: 00pm - 1:00pm
Outdoor Play TURF 8:25 am - 9:00 am	Snack 1:00 pm - 1:20 pm
Recess 9:00 am - 9:25 am	Indoor 1:30 pm - 2:10 pm
Indoor 9:30 am - 10:30 am	Dismissal 2:15 pm After-School Program 6:00 pm

TK Standards and Skills:

- Social-Emotional Development and Skills
- Physical Development
 - Fine and Gross Motor Skills
 - Coordination
- Early Literacy and Writing Skills
- Language Development and Communication Skills
- Early Math and Science Concepts
- Fine Arts
 - o Music
 - o Visual Arts
 - o Dramatic Play
- Religion
 - o Jesus
 - Bible Stories and Lessons
 - o Prayers and Sacraments
- Social Studies
 - o Citizenship
 - Community
 - o Character Development