

# Welcome to Little Lambs Christian Preschool

## Our Mission Statement

Our mission is to ensure that the foundation is set for each child to be successful in the next phase of their education, to build a relationship with the Lord, and to strengthen their Christian values. Our staff will provide a loving and supportive environment where each child will create and explore through structured activities.

## Our Goals

- We will provide a safe, nurturing, and developmentally appropriate environment where your child will feel comfortable and open to grow.
- We will promote social, emotional, cognitive, and spiritual growth.
- We will integrate hands-on centers where your child will be encouraged to create and explore.
- We will follow a consistent schedule and implement daily routines to ensure that your child feels prepared for each day.
- Families will be informed through yearly conferences, monthly newsletters, weekly picture postings, and open communication. We acknowledge and appreciate that you are your child's first and primary teachers.
- Staff members will meet the requirements of Ohio Job and Family Service and will have a background in child development.

## Our Program

Little Lambs Christian Preschool offers an academic kindergarten readiness curriculum that is also faith based. Classes are age group based to differentiate learning opportunities to preschool children of similar ages.

- Students in the Young Preschool Program are being introduced to the school experience. We will encourage early social skills and handling interactions with other children and adults. Also, we will introduce the structure and routines that are expected in a school environment. Along with these skills, our young preschoolers will have many opportunities to enhance their education. We will focus on strengthening fine motor muscles and early writing skills; color, shape, letter and number recognition skills; counting and one to one correspondence; sorting, patterning, opposites and much more! We feel that this preschool year is very important and will set the stage for their pre-kindergarten year.
- Students in the Pre-Kindergarten Program are eligible for kindergarten the following year. If your child has a late spring/summer birthday and you are unsure whether or not they will attend one or two years of preschool, you may ask us for our recommendation. Students may be enrolled in the pre-kindergarten program for two consecutive years if you decide not to send them to kindergarten. Throughout this year we will continue developing their social skills and appropriately handling interactions with others. Structure and routine will continue to be implemented and many academic opportunities will be enforced. Fine motor skills will become more developed and writing skills will improve significantly. Along with letter recognition we will incorporate letter sounds, rhyming, and alliteration. Number and shape recognition will be perfected so that other math skills will further develop as well. This program will ensure that your child has been given all appropriate opportunities to be successful in their kindergarten year.