

# GEORGIA PRE-K PROGRAM ellence Starts Early Starts Early Starts Early

**Excellence Starts Early** 

As a highly-rated provider, Trinity Early AME Learning Center's early education program is designed to equip children aged six weeks to four years with the skills they need to be "ready to learn" as they enter kindergarten.



## ATTRIBUTES OF SUCCESS

ear 2025-2026

- Trinity Early AME Learning Center's prekindergarten program provides a nurturing, safe environment for children to start their educational journey.
- Children participate in quality instructional programs which targets language development, reasoning, problem solving, social skills, behavior, and emotional health.
- Children are provided with breakfast, lunch, and an afternoon snack to keep their minds active while they are enjoying, exploring, and learning in their classroom.
- Our teachers assess each child's development throughout the year, to help guide planning, teaching, and partnerships with parents.

# **NURTURE**

TEACH

COMMUNICATE

"EXCELLENCE STARTS EARLY"

# **AGE REQUIREMENT**

All students entering the PreK program must be four years old before or on September 1. This requirement ensures that all children entering the PreK program are at a similar developmental stage, providing a more cohesive and effective learning environment.

This policy helps manage classroom dynamics, as it reduces the age range among students, enabling teachers to plan activities that are suitable for all children in the program. Additionally, this requirement aligns with many school district standards, ensuring consistency across educational systems and aiding in the transition to kindergarten by maintaining a structured age progression.

#### Georgia Pre-K Program

Georgia's Pre-K Program is a state-funded educational initiative designed for four-year-old's in Georgia.

#### **Curriculum - Purpose**

During the 2024 – 2025 school year, Georgia's Pre-K undertook a review of its curriculum. The aim of this curriculum evaluation and approval process is to identify the models that best support Georgia's Pre-K programs while ensuring alignment with the Georgia Early Learning and Development Standards (GELDS). We implement the Creative Curriculum.

### **Goals of the Program**

Our primary objective is to educate and prepare young children for a successful transition into kindergarten.

# Curriculum/Assessment

Four main Categories of Interest
Social
Emotional
Physical Development
Cognitive Language

Monthly Themes
Projects
Ongoing Extension Home Activities
Progress Monitoring and Reporting





Our mission is to deliver an exceptional early childhood experience, emphasizing the educational development of young children while offering support services and information to their families.



# **VISION**

Our vision is to be a safe, Christian, and professional environment dedicated to educational excellence.





able to communicate with in real time by parents informing them of daily events, planned curricular events, and upcoming assessments.

Parent Portal allows parents to receive play-by-play updates including videos and of their students pictures thriving through hands -on mentoring, learning, and guidance as they grow-inside and outside the classroom



Mon-Thurs **Friday Dress Down Polo Top Navy Blue** White Grey Pants, Shorts, **Dress or Skirt** Navy Blue Khaki Uniforms may be purchased at: Prestige Uniforms Greenbriar Mall (404) 349-3100



Each day, children engage in a rigorous schedule of carefully planned activities designed to foster their social, emotional, physical, and cognitive development as they prepare for kindergarten. These activities are thoughtfully structured to provide a balanced approach, ensuring that young learners build essential skills in each domain. Socially, they learn to interact with peers and develop teamwork and communication skills. Emotionally, children are guided to express their feelings and develop resilience. Physically, they participate in exercises that enhance motor skills and overall health. Cognitively, they are introduced to foundational concepts that spark curiosity and encourage problem-solving. This holistic approach ensures that children are well-prepared for the challenges and opportunities of kindergarten.



## **Pre-K Daily Schedule**

Morning Activity / Hand Washing Story Time #1/Hand washing

Breakfast

<u>Circle</u> Time/Large Group/Literacy

Music and Movement

9:30 - 10:10 a.m. Small Group

10:00 - 11:00 a.m. Center Time/Interest Areas

11:00- 11:15 a.m. Phonological Awareness

11:15 – 11:45 a.m. Story Time #2/Handwashing/ Personal Care

11:45-12:35 Outside Play

12:35 -1:05 a.m. Lunch

1:05 -2:05 p.m. Nap

2:05 - 2: 20 p.m. Handwashing/Snack

2:20 -2:30 p.m. Let's Talk About It/Closing Routine/Dismissal

### **NUTRITION**

Meals adhere to the U.S.D.A. Food and Nutrition program guidelines. Weekly menus will be displayed at the Center. Breakfast is served at 8:00 a.m., followed by lunch starting at 11:30 a.m., and snack time begins at 2:15 p.m.

Parents of children with special dietary needs must provide a written statement from the child's doctor confirming the requirements.

#### **Afterschool**

7:45 - 8:30 a.m.

8:30 - 8:45 a.m.

8:45 - 9:00 a.m.

9:00 - 9:30 a.m.

9:15 - 9:30 a.m.

2:30-3:00 p.m.	Storytime
3:00-3:30 p.m.	Instructional Activitie
3:30-3:45 p.m.	Handwashing/Snack
3:45-4:30 p.m.	Outside Play
4:30-5:00 p.m.	Music and Movement
5:00 - 5:30 p.m.	Art
5:30-6:00 p.m.	Table Toys/ Clean Up

#### **BEFORE & AFTERCARE**

Trinity AME Early Learning Center offers extended care programs for our Pre-K children in Georgia. Before care begins at 6:30 AM, and aftercare is available from 2:30 PM to 6:00 PM. We provide an afternoon snack alongside engaging activities that keep children entertained while stimulating their minds in a safe environment. Although there is no out-of-pocket cost for the Georgia PreK program, the fee for before and after care is \$75 per week. CAPS is accepted.



# ATTENDANCE POLICY OVERVIEW

The Trinity Early Learning Centers Pre-K Program follows the Atlanta Public Schools' schedule, offering 6.5 hours of instruction each day for 180 days a year. The program operates from 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., providing a structured and engaging learning environment. Key aspects of the attendance policy include:

## **Daily Schedule**

Program Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

**Arrival:** Children can arrive from 7:45 a.m., earlier for those in the Before School/After Care Program.

**Tardiness:** Arrival after 8:05 a.m. is marked as tardy.

Pick-Up: 2:30 p.m. to 2:45 p.m.

## **Attendance Expectations**

**Regular Attendance:** Children are expected to attend regularly and punctually.

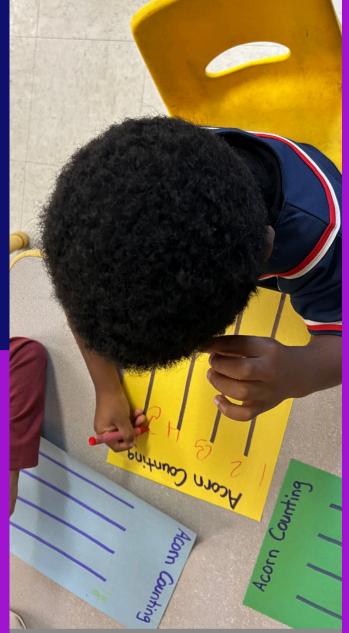
**Absence Limit:** No more than 10 absences throughout the school year.



# **HEALTH & SAFETY**

Our illness policy is designed to safeguard both the teaching staff and the other students in the classroom.

- If a child has a fever of 101.0 degrees or higher, the teacher is required to reach out to the child's parent or emergency contact for pickup.
- If a child experiences three or more loose stools within an hour, the teacher must also contact the parent or emergency contact for pickup.



#### ATTENDANCE EXPECTATIONS

Trinity AME Early Center is dedicated to providing essential resources for every child in its care. Each seat in the program is a valuable opportunity for the children of Atlanta. It is important to note that a child may lose their seat and be removed from the PANDA roster if they are absent for 10 or more days without a valid reason, such as a medical issue. This policy ensures that all children have access to the educational support they need to thrive.