

Preschool Year-at-a-Glance

The Creative Curriculum in Jeffco's Preschools

Each Study within the Creative Curriculum is aligned to Colorado Preschool Standards and Teaching Strategies Gold Objectives for Development and Learning, and written for mastery by the end of the preschool experience (approximately 5 years old). While engaging in the learning found within the Studies:

- Students build capacity to think, talk, problem solve, “write”, and “read” while engaging with key social emotional and cognitive skills through meaningful and challenging tasks
- Concepts weave through content so teachers *use one content to put another to work*. For example, a text-based literacy lesson using a fiction or nonfiction text can teach print concepts while at the same time teach specific content-based concepts.
- Opportunities for written expression are incorporated across all parts of the day as authentic evidence of learning.

Student interest and experiences guide teacher decision making as the Creative Curriculum Studies are brought to life in play. Teachers create a caring, equitable, and inclusive community of learners where information is available through a variety of materials and experiences.

Children are naturally curious about their environment and therefore, play is an essential component of our programming. In an ever-evolving, purposefully designed environment, children experience self-directed learning opportunities where they practice skills aligned with their needs and development. Play promotes a language-rich environment that fosters problem-solving skills, self-regulation, and cognitive and social competencies alongside learning of content knowledge. The studies support development of the whole child throughout their preschool experience.

2025-26 Creative Curriculum Year At A Glance								
Building Your Classroom Community The First Six Weeks 23-25 Days 8/19-9/24	Balls Study 17-19 Days 9/25-10/23	Trees Study 17-19 Days 10/24-11/19	Clothes Study 15-17 Days 11/10-12/29	Buildings Study 17-19 days 1/7-2/3	Wheels Study 17-19 days 2/4-3/4	Reduce, Reuse, Recycle Study 17-19 days 3/5-4/8	Water Study 14-16 days 4/9- 5/1	Exercise Study 16-18 days 5/4-5/28