

Parent Guide to The Creative Curriculum®

What Is The Creative Curriculum®?

The Creative Curriculum® is a research-based, play-centered early learning program used in many preschool kindergarten classrooms. It helps children build the skills, confidence, and love of learning they need for school success in spaces.



Goals of The Creative Curriculum®



Social-Emotional

Building relationships, expressing, feelings, cooperating



Physical

Strengthening fine motor and gross motor skills through active play



Cognitive

Encouraging thinking, problem-solving, and inquiry



Language

Expanding vocabulary

How Children Learn

- Exploration and play
- Building, pretending, experimenting, and discovering
- Choice and Independence
- Teacher guidance

How Families Can Support Learning at Home

- Ask about your child's favorite activities at school
- Read together every day and talk about stories
- Encourage curiosity—let your child help cook, garden, play
- Set up playdates or attend story times
- Provide at least one open-ended play activity

The Structure of the Day

A Creative Curriculum classroom typically includes:

- Large-group time
- Small-group time *focus-orientated*
- Interest areas
- Outdoor play
- Read-alouds and reflection

The Big Picture

- Confident and curious learners
- Creative thinkers and problem-solvers
- Kind friends and community