

# Four-Year-Old Kindergarten



**Wood County Christian School**

**2016-17**

Dear Parents,

I am pleased that you are considering Wood County Christian School's K4 program for your child. We have a wonderful program, and it is my desire to provide a positive educational experience that will help develop your child's mind, body, and spirit. Our daily schedule is filled with age-appropriate activities that will not only help your child grow academically but socially, emotionally, and physically as well. Our structured setting helps students develop good habits and establishes a strong foundation for their future schooling.

WCCS offers a two-day program where students attend either M/W or T/TH. We also offer an optional third day program on Fridays. The A Beka four-year-old curriculum is used for our phonics, numbers, and handwriting program. This strong reading program allows most K4 students to read by the end of the year. We are very excited to introduce a new and updated Bible curriculum for the 2016/17 school year published by Purposeful Design. This Bible curriculum includes daily Bible lessons, memory verses, and songs. The student workbooks come with lovely color pictures and reinforce concepts such as opposites, letter recognition, counting, rhyming, emotional awareness, visual discrimination, and more.

Our two-day-a-week students enjoy both music and art. Music class is with our music teacher in the music room and art projects are with me in the classroom. Our three-day-a-week students enjoy art and PE classes outside the classroom.

Children this age love to learn. They bring such joy and enthusiasm to school every day. I am blessed to have the opportunity to teach our K4 class and would be honored to have your child in our program.

Thank you and God bless,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Chevonne Pickrell". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Chevonne Pickrell

# Four-Year-Old Kindergarten Goals

## 1<sup>st</sup> Semester

### **Phonics:**

- Learn name, sound, and picture for short vowels and consonants Bb, Ff, Gg, Mm, Rr, Ss, Tt, Ll, Hh, Cc

### **Printing:**

- Learn to print letters and blends learned in phonics
- Learn proper posture, spacing, way to hold pencil, and paper position
- Learn to print first name

### **Numbers:**

- Count 1-20
- Learn to recognize and understand number concepts 1-10

### **Bible lessons:**

- Creation through Jesus' boyhood
- Simple Bible memory verses

### **Science:**

- Pets, seasons, farm animals, birds, zoo animals

### **Readiness Skills:**

- Students learn colors, geometric shapes, manners training, and scissors skills

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester

### **Phonics:**

- Learn long vowel sounds
- Learn name, sound, and picture for consonants Dd, Jj, Kk, Nn, Pp, Vv, Ww, Yy, Zz, Qq, Xx
- Learn blends for consonants above

- Learn to read consonant-vowel-consonant words
- Whole class and small group reading instruction

***Printing:***

- Learn to print letters, blends, and words learned in phonics

***Numbers:***

- Count 1-50
- Learn number concepts and identification of 1-20
- Graphing and measurement

***Bible lessons:***

- Jesus' ministry on earth through Resurrection Week
- Review Old Testament favorites
- Simple Bible memory verses

***Science:***

- God's plan for me, healthy body, forest, ocean, pond animals, and plants



# K4 Daily Schedule

Attendance/Lunch Count

Skills Development

Phonics

Numbers

Bible/Prayer

Restroom Break

Physical Activity (Whole Brain Integration)

Calendar/Phonics/Weather

Language/Character Development

Playtime

Restroom/Lunch

Movement Songs

Handwriting

Art

Restroom/Recess

Story time

Rest Time

Snack/Restroom

Learning Centers

# Is Your Child Ready?

Can your child:

- √ Sit quietly, and listen to a story, poem, or nursery rhyme for 10-15 minutes?
- √ Listen and follow simple two-step directions?
- √ Ask questions when help is needed?
- √ Use a tissue and use the bathroom unassisted?
- √ Obey those in authority on a regular basis?

## K4 Readiness Review

Each child entering K4 will be required to participate in the K4 Readiness Review. The review is designed to have each child participate in activities to check for physical, emotional, and social readiness as well as academic readiness. The screening will be in a small group setting where children will participate in normal K4 daily activities, such as a read aloud story, coloring, and counting. This readiness review is scheduled for Wednesday, May 11, 2016, beginning at 1:30 PM. If this review indicates that are readiness concerns, parents will be contacted to establish a plan for proceeding forward.

Information regarding the review appointments will be sent to families whose child is enrolled for the 2016-17 school year.



# Summer Activities to Help Your Child

Some things you can do to help your child be ready for the start of kindergarten are:

1. Learn to share and take turns.
2. Work on recognition of name.
3. Help develop gross and fine motor skills, recognition of colors and shapes, recognition of letters, and counting to 5.
4. Summer Activities — Gross motor skills—running, throwing, catching, hopping, marching, and jumping. Fine motor skills—cutting, coloring, printing, zipping, buttoning, manipulating puzzle pieces.
5. Get your child involved in a group setting, such as Sunday School, library story time, or similar activity where you leave your child for a short period of time.

While social and emotional development are strongly nurtured in our K4 program, our emphasis is on our excellent academic program.



# Enrollment Information

In order to enroll in the four-year-old kindergarten program, students must be four years old by October 1 of the school year.

A pre-admission screening is required prior to the final acceptance of any child. Parents are to bring their child to the school for this scheduled screening.

WCCS admits students regardless of race, religion, color, or national or ethnic origin.

Children may be dropped off at 7:55 a.m. at the elementary building. Those who require early care may drop-off their children in the gymnasium at 7:45 a.m. There is no charge for this service.

Afternoon dismissal begins at 3:05 p.m. After Care is available after each school day until 5:30 p.m. Contact the Financial Office for fee information for After Care.

## ENROLLMENT FEE

**\$125 per student - If paid by March 15, 2016**

**\$200 per student – If paid after March 15, 2016**

Students who have already been accepted will be considered “registered” when the enrollment fee is paid and the Application for Admission form has been received. Their name will be added to the class roll and assured a place in the class.

## TEXTBOOKS/MATERIAL FEE

**Grade K4 - \$50** This fee covers all consumable textbooks and material fees. This fee should be paid in full by July 1.



# Tuition

As a convenience to our school families, a monthly tuition rate is available. The monthly tuition structure is based on the family's choice of one of the following: a 12-month period beginning July 1 and ending June 1; an 11-month period beginning August 1 and ending June 1; or the 10-month period beginning September 1 and ending June 1. All accounts are due and payable by the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month. No monthly statements are sent out unless the account is not paid and received by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month, at which time a \$15 late fee will be added. Any student whose account is not paid within 45 days of the due date will not be allowed to attend WCCS until the account is paid in full. All records and report cards will be held until tuition and fees are paid. Please contact the school office if a problem arises. Every effort will be made to work with parents.

<b>Tuition:</b>	12 Month Plan	11 Month Plan	10 Month Plan	Yearly Tuition
2 Days a Week	\$148.58	\$162.10	\$178.30	\$1,783.00
3 Days a Week	\$189.58	\$206.82	\$227.50	\$2,275.00

## HOT LUNCH PROGRAM

WCCS provides students with a daily hot lunch program. Our cooking staff prepares nutritious and tasty food daily. Our meals meet or exceed the qualifications for a Type A lunch as required by the National School Lunch Program. Parents are billed at the end of each month for lunches their children have eaten.

# Immunizations Required

All children entering the WCCS four-year-old kindergarten program should be age appropriately immunized.<sup>1</sup> The following guidelines for parents indicate the **minimum** number of doses for each vaccine needed for four-year-old entry. All students must have a copy on file in the school office before the first day of school.

<b>Hepatitis A</b>	2 doses (1st dose after 1st birthday) (12nd dose at least 6 months after 1st dose)	<b>Hepatitis B</b>	3 doses (Final dose at age 24 weeks or older)
<b>DTaP</b>	4 doses (Booster dose should not be given prior to 4th birthday)	<b>Varicella</b>	1 dose (After 1st birthday)
<b>IPV</b>	3 doses	<b>MMR</b>	1 dose (After 1st birthday)
<b>Hib</b>	4 doses (3 doses if Pedvax or Comvax are used for full series) <i>However, for children starting series at greater than 6 months of age:</i> 3 doses if the first dose was given between 7-11 months of age 2 doses if the first dose was given between 12-14 months of age 1 dose if that dose was given between 15 and 59 months of age <i>Generally not recommended for children age 5 and older</i>		
<b>PCV</b>	4 doses <i>However, for children starting series greater than 6 months of age:</i> 3 doses if the first dose was given between 7-11 months of age 2 doses if the first dose was given at 12-23 months of age 1 dose if that dose was given between 24-59 months of age <i>Not routinely recommended for children age 5 and older</i>		



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