

Kindergarten Prerequisites  
for  
Incarnate Word Academy

**Self-Care**

- \*Manage zippers, buttons, snaps, Velcro, belt buckles, and tying shoes
- \*Dress self (including sweaters, jackets, shoes, mittens, hats, etc...)
- \*Pack and unpack school bag
- \*Uses the bathroom independently
- \*Express wants/needs in complete sentences



**Social Skills**

- \*Listens to and follows directions
- \*Exhibits self-control
- \*Accepts corrections without resistance
- \*Separates from parent/guardian without getting upset
- \*Perform in an environment with 25-30 children
- \*Pay attention to adult-directed tasks (10-15 minutes)

**Reading/Language Arts**

- \*Recognize their first and last names in print
- \*Speak and share ideas in complete sentences (at least 5-6 words per sentence)
- \*Recite the alphabet successfully
- \*Recognize capital and lower case letters in the alphabet- both in and out of sequence
- \*Know the difference between letters and numbers
- \*Identify letters and numbers in environmental print (i.e. street signs, magazines, stories, coupons, etc...)
- \*Know where to find the front/back of a book, locate words in a book, understand that words are read using left to right progression, and can hold a book correctly
- \*Take part in rhyme, rhythm, and repetition in poems, songs, and stories
- \*Follow two to three step directions with little/no guidance
- \*Tell/retell familiar stories
- \*Speaks understandably (speech understood by individuals that are not familiar with your child)

**Mathematics**

- \*Identifies colors (red, orange, yellow, green, blue, purple, pink, black, brown, and white)
- \*Recognizes shapes (circle, triangle, square, and rectangle)
- \*Sort objects, by size, color, and shape
- \*Counts aloud to 20

- \*Counts to 10 using one to one correspondence
- \*Recognizes numbers 0 through 10
- \*Uses and understands words that show position (i.e. up, down, over, under, etc...)
- \*Begin to understand patterns and show position (i.e. ABABABAB or ABBABBA)

### **Fine Motor**

- \*Display hand dominance
- \*Uses correct pencil grip
- \*Uses scissors safely
- \*Begin to print letters from top to bottom
- \*Writes first name in capital and lower case letters- "Kevin"