



# PRIMARY SCHOOL

PRE-K 3, PRE-K 4, KINDERGARTEN

*AT A GLANCE*



THE  
CALVARY WAY

*Reverence for God  
Respect for Others  
Responsibility for Self*

Calvary Episcopal Preparatory uses a comprehensive approach to educating and enriching the whole child. Our Primary School curriculum is play-based learning and is the most appropriate mode for our youngest Crusaders. Our certified, experienced, and highly qualified teachers enable each child to reach his or her highest potential by supporting children wherever they are on their own learning path and timeline. Low student-to-teacher ratios enable our teachers to spend quality teaching time with each child, allowing the development of close student-teacher bonds of affection, trust, and respect. This academic relationship allows Calvary to assess each child's social, emotional, cognitive, physical growth and work to achieve the best learning outcomes for each child. Our goal is to build skills that set children up for success in kindergarten and beyond.



# PK 3

Calvary's Pre-Kindergarten 3-year old program utilizes play-based and a variety of hands-on learning activities. Engaging academic, spiritual, and enrichment instruction focuses on developing the whole child. A strong foundation along with small classes creates a nurturing environment leading to student success.

## HUMANITIES

- Participate in a developmentally appropriate academic and social curriculum that supports young learners in their academic success
- Exposure to high-quality children's literature in daily reading activities
- Focus on oral language with shared reading, the retelling of stories, and expressive language
- Begin implementation of Inner Circle/Outer Circle techniques to prepare students for Socratic Seminars
- Incorporate poems and songs to introduce students to rhyming words, fingerplays, sing-song literacy, and fluent reading
- Hands-on literacy activities to introduce students to beginning reading skills and concepts
- Introduction to Social Studies concepts through the integration of units, such as "All About Me" and "My Community," that prepare students to become responsible citizens
- Encourage different modes of self-expression
- Bring Social Studies to life by connecting to real-world examples
- Experience interactive presentations and activities



# MATHEMATICS & SCIENCE

- Exposure to the mathematical vocabulary needed for success in future grades
- Count to ten and an introduction to counting past ten
- Hands-on instruction that includes, but is not limited to number skills, patterning skills, and problem-solving skills
- Explore science through observing, investigating, and predicting
- Gain knowledge in mathematics and science using themed activities

# WRITING

- Build student confidence through multiple opportunities to create, express, color, and write their ideas
- Utilize *Patterns of Wonder* to introduce students to writing conventions
- Develop fine motor skills for writing using manipulatives

# SPIRITUAL

- Participate in student-led chapels
- Experience Christian Character Education classes focusing on reverence, respect, responsibility, trustworthiness, caring, fairness, and citizenship
- Attend Bible class weekly that teaches the lineage of Jesus and the stories of the Bible
- Engage in a community service project



Competitions &  
Activities

"WOW"  
events  
Math Fact  
Competitions

Enrichment Classes

Music  
Library  
Bible  
Physical  
Education

Curriculum Based  
Field Trips

Transportation  
First  
Responders  
Fire Station

Extra Curricular  
Activities

Soccer



# PK 4

Calvary's Pre-Kindergarten 4-year old program focuses on play-based learning and deepening a student's knowledge in language, math, science, and social studies. We meet the children where they are and allow them to grow at their own pace with a consistent program that expands as students mature and their needs change.

## HUMANITIES

- Implement a balanced literacy program that includes phonics, phonemic awareness, oral language, reading strategies, and print awareness
- Individualized reading groups in order to meet each child's reading ability
- Instill a love for reading through library reading and classroom programs
- Expand oral language with shared reading, partner retelling of stories, and expressive language
- Continue implementation of Inner Circle/Outer Circle techniques (Socratic Seminars)
- Expose students to parts of speech such as compound nouns, opposite words, adjectives, and adverbs
- Incorporate poetry notebooks where students learn rhyming words, fingerplay, sing-song literacy, and fluency
- Encourage speech concepts for different modes of self-expression across disciplines
- Bring Social Studies to life by connecting to real-world examples
- Interactive presentations and activities



# MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE

- Hands-on learning to ensure understanding and build excitement
- Exposure to mathematical vocabulary that is needed for success in the future grades
- Develop number sense through a variety of math strategies
- Hands-on mathematics instruction
- Compare and contrast using classifications like height and shape
- Count to at least twenty
- Identify and predict cause and effect
- Explore science through observing, investigating, and predicting
- Gain knowledge in mathematics and science using themed activities
- Science exploration through an on-campus garden

## WRITING

- Build student confidence through the *Writing Without Tears* program
- Introduce *Patterns of Wonder* to introduce students to writing conventions.
- Develop fine motor skills for writing using manipulatives
- Journal to create, express, color, and label their ideas
- Illustrate parts of the story as an integral piece of reading comprehension

## SPIRITUAL

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- Participate in community service project



### Competitions & Activities

Math Fact Competitions  
"WOW" events

### Enrichment Classes

Computer  
Spanish  
Art  
Music  
Library  
Bible  
Physical Education

### Curriculum Based Field Trips

Petting Zoo  
First Responders  
Rosenberg Railroad Museum

### Extra Curricular Activities

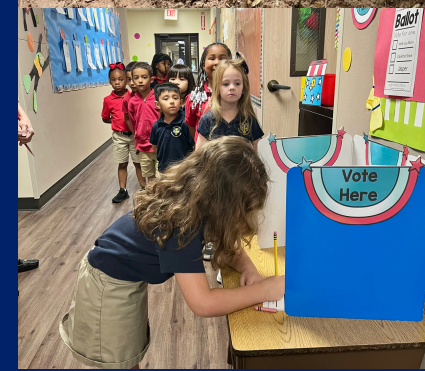
Soccer



# Kindergarten

## HUMANITIES

- Implement interactive notebooks in all academic subjects
- Conduct open-ended opportunities for academic discussion using Socratic Seminars
- Utilize the writing process - prewriting, drafting, revising, editing, publishing
- Focus on details during the drafting stage of the writing process
- Write in daily journals, focusing on proper letter formation, punctuation, capitalization, spacing, illustrations, and details using *Patterns of Wonder*
- Illustrate weekly poems, highlighting sight words, discussing rhyming and comprehension, and building a poetry folder
- Understand and apply word patterns and high-frequency words
- Nurture listening skills and learning comprehension strategies through interactive read-alouds
- Decode words using reading strategies
- Integrate balanced literacy strategies
- Continue usage of phonics and phonemic awareness
- Expose students to parts of speech such as compound nouns, opposite words, adjectives, and adverbs
- Use speech concepts for different modes of self-expression across the disciplines, including nursery rhymes
- Bring Social Studies to life by connecting to real-world examples
- Experience content through interactive presentations and activities



# MATHEMATICS & SCIENCE

- Understand addition as putting together, adding to, and composing/decomposing numbers
- Understand subtraction as taking apart, taking from, and composing/decomposing numbers
- Count to at least 100
- Exposure to mathematical vocabulary that is needed for success in future grades
- Describe and compare measurable attributes
- Work with numbers to gain foundations for place value
- Classify and count objects into categories
- Analyze, compare, create, and compose shapes in 2D and 3D
- Count and understand the value of money
- Recognize and master graphs & data

# SCIENCE

- Discovery, learning, and observations to understand scientific concepts
- Investigating concepts such as the five senses, force and motion, weather, and living/non-living objects
- Science exploration through on-campus garden

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## Competitions & Activities

Math Fact Competitions  
"WOW" events  
Zoo Projects

## Enrichment Classes

Computer  
Spanish  
Art  
Music  
Library  
Bible  
Physical Education

## Curriculum Based Field Trips

Houston Interactive Aquarium

## Extra Curricular Activities

Drama Club  
Soccer  
Basketball