



Eastminster Day School

Creative Curriculum

The Creative Curriculum includes developmentally appropriate goals and objectives for children within four main categories: social/emotional, physical, cognitive, and language. This program is also aligned with the South Carolina Early Learning Standards.

The Creative Curriculum is designed to meet the basic needs of the children. It offers strategies for building positive relationships, helping children develop self-regulation, and responding to challenging behaviors. It shows teachers how to guide children's learning during daily routines and everyday experiences.

1. What will the Creative Curriculum look like in my child's classroom?

- Because the curriculum is driven by the children's interest, do not expect all age groups to be learning the same topics at the same time. There are "themed" studies for ages 3-years-old and 4-years-old that will serve as a guide for learning, but each individual class will explore studies in their own way. In the younger classrooms, parents can expect to see a lot of teacher and child interaction. This curriculum is driven by meaningful, engaging, teaching moments between teacher and child.

2. Craft vs. Art

- For young children, working with art mediums lends itself to so many teachable moments like color mixing paints, textures in playdough/clay, shapes, and positional words. You can expect to see less teacher-led-crafts and more child created art. This gives young children to express language and feelings that are relevant to them using art vs. a cut-and-paste version of someone else's ideas.

3. Research Based

- The Creative Curriculum has been thoughtfully planned and written with over 75 years of theories and research by the top minds in Early Childhood Education.