



PARK CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

2017-2018

EQUIPPING STUDENTS TO THINK BIBLICALLY, LIVE WISELY, AND SERVE FAITHFULLY.

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Expanded shuttle routes available to and from Horace, West & South Fargo.

Free busing in Moorhead.

Tuition reduction scholarships are available up to 50% of tuition.

PARK CHRISTIAN SCHOOL PROVIDES:

A safe environment

Genuine care for your child

Academic excellence

Teacher accessibility for parents

Intentionality in developing your child's character

SMART Programming for early elementary

EDUCATIONAL CONSULTATIONS

Call 218-236-0500 to set an appointment.

KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UPS *For parents and students*

5:00 - 6:00 pm – please RSVP.

Thursday, January 18, Tuesdays; February 27, March 20

PREVIEW DAYS *For inquiring students in grades 1-11*

8:00 - 11:30 am – please RSVP.

Mondays; November 13, January 8, February 12, March 19, April 9, May 7



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K-12TH GRADE
IN ONE BUILDING

We love this!

PCS KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM

Students hide God's word in their heart.

Strong academic foundation, exceeding the national objectives in the Common Core standards.

Expanded shuttle routes available to and from Horace, West & South Fargo.

S.M.A.R.T. Program.

Teachers are licensed, certified, born again believers.

PCS is accredited through the Association of Christian School International (ACSI) and AdvanceED (formerly North Central Accreditation).

Teacher to student ratio for K-12th grade is 1:12.

Need based tuition reduction scholarships available up to 50%.

K-12th grade academic setting. *(We love this!)*



A Typical Day in Kindergarten at PCS

(Our schedule is very flexible and adapted as needed!)

Students arrive and complete daily jobs.

Welcome, Prayer, Pledges, Calendar time.

Christian Character Building.

Skill Building Activities.

Praise Songs and Bible time.

Reading-Writing-Phonics lessons.

Snack break, Story, and Show-and-Tell.

Math lesson and activity.

Music, Social Skills, or “Get the Wiggles Out” activity.

Learning Centers, Unit Study (Science, Social, Art).

SMART room.

Gym or outside recess.

Get ready to go and dismiss.

Library checkout: Once per week

Weekly Bible memory verses recited on Fridays.

Children learn over 26 passages.

Chapel: every other Monday morning.

Special events and field trips on select days.



*All Day Kindergarten also includes an extra recess, lunch, rest time, an extended enrichment time including art class and music class, reinforcement opportunities in skill building and practice activities, as well as extended time in centers for social development and exploratory learning.



Kindergarten through the Year

Park Christian School's Kindergarten program is a Christ-centered, creative learning environment. Your student will experience a year filled with Bible stories, prayer, scripture memory, creative hands-on learning, friends, singing, and FUN! We emphasize phonics and give the children the tools they need to unlock reading. We want every child to love learning! We also want every child to know Jesus Christ personally and to love and serve Him all their days. It is a privilege to partner with parents in this endeavor. Learning is Fun!

At Park Christian School, we promote growth of the whole child by using a variety of special events and activities to provide your student with new experiences. Here are just a few of our events and activities your student will participate in:



- 1st Thanksgiving reenactment
- 100th day of school celebration
- Art
- Birthday party for Jesus
- Chapel
- Daily Bible Lessons with prayer and application
- Dramatic play
- Dr. Seuss's birthday
- Field trips: Pumpkin patch and zoo
- Grandparent's Day
- Kindergarten graduation
- Learning centers and games
- Library/technology integration
- Mother's Valentine tea
- Music
- Nativity Christmas pageant
- Outreach Ministry and missions projects
- Pajama day
- Physical education
- S.M.A.R.T. Room
- Weekly Bible memory verses



Integrated Themes:

Apples
Colors in God's world
Community helpers
Families and friends
God's amazing creation: plants, insects, dinosaurs, ocean life
Nutrition
Our five senses
Pumpkins
Transportation
Weather
...just to name a few!

Areas of Development:

Art/creative expression
Christian/spiritual character development
Language/phonemic awareness
Large/small motor skills
Math and problem solving
Music/creative movement
Scientific discovery
Social/emotional
Visual/auditory discrimination
...and love for learning!

What is S.M.A.R.T.?

S.M.A.R.T. is a multi-sensory approach to learning, based on brain research. This program develops physiological and neurological readiness skills essential to classroom success.

The S.M.A.R.T. Program emphasizes stimulating the brain stem to promote richer connections among the neurons. The brain stem controls the neurological capabilities for readiness skill development.

Once these readiness skills are in place, children have the foundation necessary to succeed in school. The S.M.A.R.T. Program is designed so each child progresses at his/her own rate, enhancing the child's abilities in a positive and playful environment. S.M.A.R.T. provides children a proven approach to reach their potential and to become successful learners.

How is the S.M.A.R.T. Program applied in the classroom?

S.M.A.R.T. integrates activities into the classroom, gymnasium, and playground and is compatible with any curriculum.

The S.M.A.R.T. Program is related to the areas of:

- **Language Development**
- **Math**
- **Physiological readiness**
- **Reading**
- **Writing**
- **Coordination and attention**

Students are continuously challenged and stimulated by the activities that are incorporated into their daily academic routine. S.M.A.R.T. sites report high levels of academic achievement.

S.M.A.R.T. = RESULTS

S.M.A.R.T. Activities

Cross Lateral Activities

- Crawling, creeping
- Cross-pattern walking
- Cross-pattern skipping

Balance/Vestibular Activities

- Walking on a balance beam
- Jumping on a rebounder
- Balance boards

Vision Activities

- Eye teaming
- Eye movements
- Focusing
- Visual discrimination

Phonemic Awareness

- Auditory discrimination
- Sound blending
- Auditory closure

Fine Motor Activities

- Eye-hand coordination
- Rainbow tracing



....and much, much more!

Preparing for a Great Start!

How can you help prepare your child for Kindergarten?

Praise and encourage your child, to help build their confidence.

Read to your child regularly. Talk about the story afterwards.

Teach them to zip, button, and tie their shoes.

Practice with them how to color inside the lines.

Practice with them how to cut on a line with scissors.

Practice with them how to color inside the lines.

Show them how to hold a pencil correctly.

Teach them to write their first name.

Does your child know their parent's names, address, and phone?

Is your child able to sit still and listen for up to 5 minutes?

Provide your child with opportunities for learning by telling them about what you are doing or how you are doing something.

Give your child opportunity to demonstrate responsibility by assigning specific tasks/chores they are able to do.

Count with your child by rote to 20....or even try 100!

Can your child recognize the letters of the alphabet and numbers 1-10?

Before doing something for them, encourage them to try on their own. Often times they are more capable than they think!

Is your child able to follow three verbal directions such as: 1) Go upstairs, 2) get your shoes, 3) put them on.

Manners are important. Children should display appropriate social behavior. Provide play opportunities with other children.

Love your child and tell them how special they are!

