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# Why is Early Childhood Education necessary?

Studies show that children who attend programs prior to kindergarten have better classroom behavior and higher academic achievements upon entering kindergarten and throughout their academic career.

# What does Early Childhood Education provide?

#### Socially

- Children build their trust in other children and adults
- Children learn structure, routine, & structured play
- An environment that encourages respect & kindness for others as well as tolerance for diversity

### Cognitively

- Fulfills curiosity through education
- Provides a better educational foundation especially for reading & math
- Builds desire for life-long learning

#### **Emotionally**

- Builds self-confidence
- Fosters sense of independence and self-efficacy

Data gathered viawww.earlychildhoodeducationzone.com

Come visit St. Gregory Parish School and see for yourself a place "Where Faith and Knowledge Meet."

# St. Gregory Parish School Early Education Program

# When choosing the right school...

Be sure to plant your child someplace where they can grow...



- I. Make sure they have spacious, rich soil
- 2. Make sure they are watered & fed
- 3. Make sure they have access to the Son

## Steps through Early Education







Meet our Preschool teacher, Miss Elisa Belfiore



Miss Belfiore graduated from Duquesne University in 2016 with a degree in Middle Level Education. She is currently pursuing her Master's Degree in Special Education at Mercyhurst University. She spent a year as an outdoor educator, teaching science

classes and leading nature activities in New England. She has also spent the past 5 summers working at a YMCA Camp. Miss Belfiore loves teaching preschool because she enjoys the enthusiasm and curiosity her students bring to each new experience. Their love of learning and of life is contagious and inspiring. Miss Belfiore also teaches school wide Phys. Ed.

#### **The Program**

St. Gregory Parish School's Preschool program has an established learning environment that provides a safe and educational space for children to succeed in all areas of developmental growth; cognitive, emotional, spiritual, & social. Our program offers hands-on learning which includes sensory & creative experiences, purposeful play, as well as, field trips, Christian instruction, music and foreign language instruction, and so much more!

Parents love the flexibility of the Preschool schedule and the low cost tuition.

At St. Gregory Parish School, we understand that children have unique needs and we strive to meet these needs.

Set up a shadow day & learn more about our program.

Contact 814-725-4571





## Introducing...Mrs. Loree Lutz!

Mrs. Lutz has a BS Degree in Elementary/Special Education from Gannon University. She enjoys swimming and spending time with her family. Mrs. Lutz loves "teaching Pre-K students because of their enthusiasm & love of learning."



#### **The Program**

St. Gregory's Pre-K Program follows the standards set by the Pennsylvania Board of Education for a pre-kindergarten classroom. Core subjects taught are: beginning reading using the "Happily Ever After" reading program, math skills, science & social studies concepts, handwriting, and social & physical activities. In addition, music, art, computer, & Spanish classes enhance an already well rounded curriculum.

This learning environment is unique in that it is able to encourage the development of young Christians through prayer, Bible stories, and other religious activities.

Our program also emphasizes structured play as a way of working and learning. Children acquire many skills through play such as problem solving, attempting new roles, learning how to make sense of their environment, and practice social skills.

This program is a 2-5 day program for children who are 4 and 5 years old who will attend Kindergarten the following year.







## **Kindergarten**

Mrs. Amy Kloss is St. Gregory's Kindergarten teacher.

Mrs. Kloss has a BA of Science in Elementary Education from Edinboro University. She also teaches Grade 7 & 8 Math/Algebra.

Her hobbies include

spending time with her family.

Mrs. Kloss said she truly enjoys seeing the older children and the younger children interacting in a loving caring way.



St. Gregory's Kindergarten Program is a full day, 5 day a week program that includes guided reading, balanced reading & writing instruction using the Superkids Reading Program, hands-on Math, inquiry based science lessons, integrated faith based instruction, physical education, art, music, library, Spanish, and computer technology.

In addition, this program is individualized to meet the needs of every student.

# The Kindergarten program accepts students who are age 5 by September 1st.



