

Curriculum Guidelines

Refer to the Nevada Early Learning Guidelines (infants through age 3) or the Nevada Pre-K Standards (3 years to five years) when planning curriculum.

January-Transportation: Trains, Planes, Automobiles, Boats, Submarines, Bicycles, Walking, Swimming, Hot Air Balloon, etc...; New Years, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, etc...

February-Health: Exercise, Sleep, Food/Eating/MyPlate, Hygiene, Dentist/National Dental Health Month, Doctors, Body Health, etc...; Valentine's Day, Presidents Day, 100th Day of School etc...

March- Rainforest: Jungle Life, Animals in the Rainforest, Life on the Ground, Life in the Trees, Sounds of the Rainforest, St. Patrick's Day, etc...

April-Spring/Insects: Plants, Gardening, Weather, Insects, Earth Day, Easter, Recycling, Water Cycle, etc...

May- Farm/New Life: Farm Life, New Life/Baby Animals, Animals on the Farm, Farm Equipment, Food from a Farm, Grains, Farm Sounds, Animal Production, Mother's Day, Memorial Day, etc...

June-Desert: Desert Life, Animals and Reptiles of the Desert, Weather, Dinosaurs, Geology, Rodeo, Cowboys, Desert Mountains, Animals of the Desert Mountains, etc...

July-Summer: BBQ, Swimming, Water, River/Ocean/Life, Camping, Picnics, Farmers Markets, Summer Safety, Vacations, Beach/Lake, Fourth of July, etc...

August- New Beginnings: Introductions of New Friends/Teachers/Classes, Class Rules, Routines, Songs, Safety, Feelings, Friendships, Likes/Dislikes, Families, Rib Cook-Off, Hot August Nights, etc..

September- Community: Occupations/Community Workers, Air Races, Balloon Races, Camel Races, Labor Day, Grandparents Day, etc...

October-Harvest: Fall, Leaves, Changing Seasons, Harvesting, 50th Day of School, Fruits/Vegetables/Grains, Jobs, Halloween/Nevada Day, etc....

November-Family: Different Cultural Traditions, Food, Clothing, Animals/Jobs, Holidays, Birthdays/Celebrations, Thanksgiving, Veterans Day, etc...

December-Winter: Snow, Ice, Animals (Hibernation and Migrations), Clothing, Sports, Christmas (Cultural Traditions), etc...

Elements to be Taught

Caughlin Preschool will celebrate the 50th and 100th day of school and Read Across America/Dr. Seuss week. Please be sure to incorporate these into the lesson planning.

Daily

- Literacy (stories relevant to monthly themes)
- Music/Movement (interactive music and dancing at circle-time)
- Alphabet
- Colors
- Shapes
- Numbers/Math
- Fine (small) Motor
- Gross (large) Motor
- Sensory/Science
- Dramatic Play (DAP)
- Self Help Skills
- Social Interactions
- Art

Monthly

- 3 Fine Motor Activities
- 3Gross Motor Activities
- 5 Art/Craft (Process Vs. Product) Activities
- 3 Sensory/Science Activities
- 2 Social/Emotional Activities
- 2 Dramatic Play Activities (DAP)
- 2 Math/Numbers/Patterns/Sequencing Activities
- 1 Nursery Rhyme

Center Choices

Please always have available:

- Sensory/Science Center
- Literacy Center
- Art Center

Please have at least five center choices available (including the three listed above)

- Math
- Dramatic Play
- Manipulative
- Music/Movement/Gross Motor