Kids First Pre-Kindergarten Goals and Objectives

Math

- Recognize and identify colors
- Recognize and identify basic shapes
- Reproduce basic shapes
- Match shapes
- Know the names of coins
- Rote count to 30
- Correctly identify numbers 1 10
- Identify numbers and patterns on a calendar
- Understand comparisons such as more, less, same.
- Work with spatial relationships such as top, middle, bottom; under, over; in, out; up, down; beside, between; first, middle, last.
- Recognize, reproduce, create and identify patterns
- Count using one to one correspondence to at least 10
- Practice sequencing, matching, same/different
- Sort and group objects; classify objects by use, shape, texture, color or size

Language

- Recite first and last name
- Sing the alphabet song correctly
- Recite the alphabet
- Become familiar with all 26 letters in capital and lower case form
- Become familiar with phonic sounds of letters
- Attempt to reproduce all letters in capital and lower case form
- ♦ Write first name using capital and lower case letters
- Recognize last name with capital and lower case letters
- ◆ Learn to listen to and follow directions
- Describe similarities and differences
- ♦ Develop an interest in books, reading, authors and illustrators by being read to
- ◆ Identify the main idea from a picture
- Predict the outcome of a story or event
- ♦ Develop comprehension skills and answer simple questions about a story heard
- ◆ Understand simple analogies (fire is hot, ice is...*cold*)
- Understand opposites
- Understand positional words such as above, under, beside, between, on, in
- Speak in complete sentences
- Recite monthly bible verse
- Become familiar with simple Spanish words

- Become familiar with Sign Language
- Learn days of the week
- Recite the current month and season
- Recite fingerplays and songs from memory
- Identify and say rhyming sounds and words

Science

- Explore items from nature
- ◆ Learn what plants need to grow and watch them grow
- ◆ Identify parts of the human body
- Identify basic emotions
- Recognize and name the four seasons and their changes
- Observe and talk about weather
- Recognize the abilities of the five senses
- Encourage beginning Science skills such as:
 - predicting and observing outcomes
 - classifying
 - o collecting
 - estimating
 - o measuring
 - o ordering
 - o problem-solving
 - o establishing cause and effect
- Understand concept of tables and graphs
- ◆ Learn about the life cycle (butterfly)

Large Motor Skills

- ◆ Participate in Stretch 'n Grow classes
- ◆ Throw and catch a large ball
- Balance on one foot for 10 seconds
- ♦ Walk heel to toe
- ♦ Walk on a balance beam
- Run, hop, jump, march, gallop, tip toe, skip
- Walk backwards
- ♦ Ride a tricycle
- Start and pump on a swing
- Participates in organized and creative play
- Negotiate an obstacle course
- Move to musical CD activities

Fine Motor Skills

- Participate in art activities
- ◆ Hold a pencil or crayon correctly

- Prefer use of one hand (right/left handed)
- ◆ Stays in lines when coloring
- Build a structure with blocks, Magnetix, or Legos
- Persist in solving puzzles
- Manipulate playdough into shapes
- Paint at an easel
- Sort buttons or other objects
- String beads of assorted sizes
- Copy vertical, horizontal, diagonal and curved lines
- Cuts on straight lines and curves using scissors correctly
- Use glue sticks
- Complete a simple picture
- Draw a person with recognizable, detailed parts

Personal and Social Skills

- Separate easily from parents
- Join in play with other children
- Knows the teachers names and classmates names
- Understand taking turns
- Share with others
- Participate in small and large groups
- Clean up after self and return things to their proper place
- Take good care of equipment and materials
- Practice good manners
- Use self-control, express emotions appropriately, and talk through conflicts
- Make safe and acceptable choices
- Use restroom independently
- Blow nose without help and dispose of dirty tissue in trash
- Put on and take off coat/jacket independently
- Know full name
- Know parents names
- Know own address and phone number
- Pray before eating snack and lunch
- Work independently for at least 10 minutes
- Use imagination in play and activities
- Take own place and keep place in a line of children
- Accept responsibilities as leader when turn comes up
- Show pride in accomplishments
- Express positive outlook when facing new task or challenges