Lunch Bunch Program

The Lunch Bunch is a program that is offered to all students who are enrolled in the Early Childhood department of Traders Point Christian Academy. The program is designed to continue to promote learning, socialization, and emotional growth in a loving and fun environment. Children can stay after an am class until 1 pm, or come before a pm class at 11 am on their scheduled class days. Parents select their day(s) for the year at enrollment.

The Lunch Bunch Program’s goal is to incorporate the developmental/academic milestones from each class that is being taught and build upon them through play, art, literature, music, and movement.

The program adds a special element of gathering together for fellowship at this young and impressionable age. The children range from 18 months to five years of age. This program provides the opportunity not only to form friendships with peers but for older children to begin the foundation of mentoring younger children. Sitting together, praying together and sharing stories, laughs and smiles over lunch has proven to be a positive and enriching experience.

Extended Lunch Bunch Program

Our Extended Lunch bunch Program is designed for students and families that either want or need their child to be in a program for an extended time. This additional two hours of Lunch Bunch offered to am class students until 3 pm offers more time for students to continue learning and socializing with peers.

The day continues with a time of devotion before a 30 minute ‘quiet’ time. This time can be spent resting for those who need to or a time to simply be still or read. Snack time then follow by additional activities around the daily lesson theme.

Daily Schedule

Opening Circle Time
Praise time and introduction to daily lesson.

Gross Motor Time
Is an opportunity to promote healthy lifestyle by actively moving through play. Students go outside (weather permitting), The Park or large playroom.

Lunch Time
An opportunity for students to eat together and practice table manners, socialize and discuss the events of their day with peers.

Lesson Time
Daily lessons reflecting the theme for the week through Bible stories, books, crafts and active participation.

Activity Time
Daily centers include: math, science, language, sensory, dramatic play, small motor activities, and free art activities.

Skills Taught

Social/Emotional Skills
Positive self-image, verbal manners, showing respect for others, sharing, and expressing oneself in a positive manner. The opportunity to practice self-control and conflict resolution.

Listening Skills
Able to follow directions, listens patiently, following stories and discussions about daily lesson, participation in songs and activities.

Large Motor Skills
To promote a healthy lifestyle filled with active movement through play focusing on moving one’s body with control, purpose, and balance. Learning concepts needed for cooperative play. Exploring different ways of being active – yoga and musical movement that challenges students to listen and follow directions given.

Fine Motor Skills
To practice correct grip of writing object, drawing shapes, forming letters and numbers, lacing, stacking, tracing, puzzles and craft projects.

Math Skills
Counting, matching quantities with value, patterning, grouping, and sorting.

Special Highlights

Bible
We encourage spiritual growth through listening to Bible stories and participating in songs, activities or art projects to reinforce the understanding of the message.

Cooking/Baking
We introduce basic math/measurement skills, nutrition, and love for healthy choices.
Curriculum Highlights

Author’s Week
A week focused on the literary author’s works. Each lesson consists of a book from the author, a craft that reinforces the story and centers based on the theme.

If You Give…Week
This week is focused on Laura Numeroff’s series. The children love a week spent baking yummy recipes from the stories that are read: Pancake Day, Cookie Day, Muffin Day, and Cupcake Day.

Dr. Seuss Week
A wacky fun week filled with zany ways for students to learn their letters, rhymes, and love for literature.

The Earth that God Made
A week focused on God’s creation of the earth. We explore the stars, land, animals and everything He created for us.

Mission
Traders Point Christian Academy challenges and educates children within the framework of a Biblical worldview while leading them to a personal faith and transformed life in Jesus Christ.

Preschool Mission
Traders Point Christian Academy Early Childhood Department partners with parents and families to encourage, develop, and nurture their children while building in them a biblical foundation for a lifetime of learning and serving God and others.

Additional Programs Offered
Traders Point Christian Academy offers Early Childhood classes for children ages eighteen months through five years. For our Early Childhood students in Twos to Fours Plus we offer Lunch Bunch and Extended Day programs. A bonus day is available for our Two and Threes. We also offer multiple Elementary and Secondary classes for students in Kindergarten through High School.

We encourage you to prayerfully consider the many benefits to your child of experiencing a complete Christian education with TPCA for their entire primary and secondary school career. Contact Mrs. Toni Kanzler, Director of Admissions, to discuss how we prepare and equip every child to reach their highest individual potential and impact the world for Christ.

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