



## **LONG-RANGE CURRICULUM GOALS FOR OAK TREES GROUP**

Our program embraces the whole child, not just specific areas of development. The activities encompass language development, sensory awareness, gross and fine motor development, spatial and number concepts, art and music appreciation, practical life skills, nature and science, visual and auditory discrimination and social personal growth.

**EMOTIONAL:** Our emotional goals are building self-esteem and confidence in their abilities. Children will be able to express their needs, feelings and frustrations age-appropriately. Children will be able to work cooperatively in small and large groups.

**SOCIAL:** Our social goals are children will to able to use simple manners, cooperate with others and follow directions. They respect themselves and their classmates as well as their environment. They problem-solve with other children and will be able to show empathy toward others.

**COGNITIVE:** Our cognitive goals are to have a firm knowledge of color, shape, size and texture, recognition of letters, understanding of ordinal meaning of numbers and ability to solve simple verbal math problems. They will be able to write their name and recognizing simple sight words. They will be active participants in STEAM and other activities, which will require them to think about and ask questions. Children will work toward expression of concepts and ideas in sentences of 6 or more words and ability to contribute to small group discussion.

**PHYSICAL:** Our physical goals are developmentally appropriate physical independence and self-reliance in tasks such as eating, toileting and dressing. To gain gross motor competence in balancing, catching, climbing, etc...and to express fine motor competence in such tasks as folding paper, following a sequence of holes in lacing, using a crayon or pencil to fill in a defined area, cutting straight and curved lines and reproducing shapes.