



♥ Welcome to Kindergarten



FAQ SHEET FOR KINDERGARTEN/KINDERGARTEN PLUS

What does Immanuel Lutheran School offer for Kindergarten?

ILS offers both Half-Day Kindergarten and Full-Day Kindergarten.

Who are the teachers?

Mrs. Anderson teaches our half-day Kindergarten program. Mrs. DeWitt adds on to what Mrs. Anderson teaches with an enrichment program to those students who are staying all day.

How do I know if my child is ready for Kindergarten?

1. Follows simple directions
2. Ability to listen
3. Developing independence
4. Familiar with letters and numbers
5. Ability to play with others
6. Well-developed language skills
7. Enthusiasm and interest in learning
8. Working on fine motor skills

Will my child be behind if they only do Half Day Kindergarten?

Students who attend half day will receive all of the core materials needed to be successful in first grade. Students who attend K+ will receive additional time to write and grow stronger in each content area. Mrs. DeWitt reinforces our letter sounds and math skills.

How do you teach reading?

We use a phonics base to teach our Kindergarteners. We use both written phonics and oral phonics. We also work with Sight Words that are in everyday print. We have decodable books for use with our letter books. Kindergarten Plus also uses some leveled readers.

Is Hot Lunch available for Kindergarten?

Hot lunch is available for all K+ students beginning in September.

Is there a uniform policy?

Immanuel K-8 students wear the following uniform clothing.

TOPS: Colors – red, white, blue / Types - polos, turtle necks, collared shirt, sweater

BOTTOMS: Color - navy or tan / Types - pants, shorts, jumpers, capris, skirts, skorts

SHOES: Closed-heel and closed-toe



A little bit about our teachers...

Kindergarten Teacher, Mrs. Lori Anderson:

I have been teaching for 18 years. I have taught in Lutheran Schools in Texas and Illinois. I LOVE teaching and I LOVE Immanuel! I met my husband, Peter Anderson, right here at Immanuel and we've been married for 13 years. We have 3 kids, Lydia (6th), Ethan (3rd), and Adam (1st). I love playing the piano, singing, being active and sharing Christ with my students. I'm eager and overjoyed to go on this journey with you and your child. My favorite part of teaching Kindergarten is watching the "light bulbs" click as they learn and discover new things!

K+ Teacher, Mrs. Gretchen DeWitt:

I have almost 30 years of experience teaching Preschool, Jr. Kindergarten, and Full-Day Kindergarten at Trinity Lutheran School in Roselle. I am married and have 2 adult children. I am the very proud grandma of a 3 beautiful grandchildren. My husband, son, and daughter-in-law are all teachers in Lutheran Schools. I am very excited to teach the children at Immanuel. The Kindergarten Plus program is an exciting time for my students. We are exploring, supplementing, and reinforcing skills taught in Kindergarten. We use all our senses to become involved in reading, writing, math, social studies, science, and religion learning experiences. I am looking forward to a wonderful year where all children will love to learn with Jesus by their side.

CURRICULUM USED IN KINDERGARTEN:

READING:	Beginning...to Read, Write and Listen by Macmillan/McGraw-Hill
MATH:	My Math by McGraw-Hill
PHONICS:	Haggerty Oral Phonics
SOCIAL STUDIES:	Scott-Foresman
SCIENCE:	Scott-Foresman
RELIGION:	Concordia Publishing - One in Christ
ENGLISH:	Houghton Mifflin
HANDWRITING:	Zaner-Bloser
ART:	Arts Attack



**Please contact us if you have any questions regarding Kindergarten.
We are happy to answer any of your questions.**

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Mrs. Gretchen DeWitt, Kindergarten Plus: gdewitt@immanuel-ed.org



Kindergarten/K+ Yellow Schedule

- 8:10-8:30 Drop off at Mrs. Anderson's Classroom
- 8:30-11:20 Instruction with Mrs. Anderson
- 11:30 Half-Day students are dismissed

K+ Yellow continues:

- 11:30 Lunch in the gym
- 12:00 Recess outside
- 12:10 - 3:00 K+ with Mrs. DeWitt
- 2:30-3:00 Creative Play in K+ room
- 3:00-3:15 Dismissal



Kindergarten/K+ Blue Schedule

- 8:10-8:30 Drop off at Mrs. DeWitt's Classroom
- 8:30-11:20 K+ with Mrs. DeWitt
- 11:30 Lunch in the gym
- 12:00 Recess outside
- ***Half-Day students join us ☺
- 12:00-12:10 Drop off for half day students
- 12:10 - 3:00 Instruction with Mrs. Anderson
- 3:00-3:15 Dismissal

**Extended Care available at an hourly fee
from 7:00-8:10 and 3:15-6:00.

KINDERGARTEN

includes weekly:
Religion

- ☺ Reading
- ☺ Math
- ☺ Science
- ☺ Social Studies
- ☺ Snack
- ☺ Haggerty Oral Phonics
- ☺ PE
- ☺ Art
- ☺ Computer
- ☺ Library
- ☺ Spanish
- ☺ Music
- ☺ Recess
- ☺ Chapel
- ☺ Creative Play

KINDERGARTEN PLUS

additionally receives:

- ☺ Jesus Time
- ☺ Math enrichment
- ☺ Theme based activities
- ☺ Science experiments
- ☺ Art
- ☺ Guided reading
- ☺ ABC Mouse
- ☺ Haggerty Oral Phonics
- ☺ Outdoor play
- ☺ Snack
- ☺ Book time
- ☺ Writer's workshop
- ☺ Literacy skills
reinforcement/enrichment