

## We provide parents with peace of mind by giving children an exceptional education every fun-filled day in a place as nurturing as home.

#### ABOUT US

Located off of South Main Street, between Cullom Street and Harris Street in Normal is nationally accredited Cadence Academy Preschool<sup>®</sup>, a Cadence Education<sup>®</sup> School of Excellence.

Here, our trained, qualified and caring staff takes a hands-on approach to learning and provides quality programming and dedicated teachers for children from six weeks old to twelve years old.

Parents receive on-going, daily communication about their child's day using KidReports, our webbased communication system. Our students are encouraged to be active and creative explorers, as well as independent, self-confident and inquisitive learners. Each child is treated as an individual and encouraged to progress at his or her natural ability while still reaching desired age-level goals. In addition to our core curriculum offered for infants, toddlers, preschool and pre-k children, we provide before and after school care for school age children with transportation provided to and from local elementary schools. Cadence Academy Preschool<sup>\*</sup> is proud to offer a warmly decorated, homelike environment for our children. Our family-friendly policy is one that welcomes parent visits any time of the day. We also offer multiple age-appropriate playgrounds and an outdoor learning environment.

Breakfast and a hot, nutritious lunch are made on-premises by our full-time cook and served each day, along with regularly scheduled snacks.



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# AscendCURRICULUM by cadence education

Our curriculum is designed to accommodate the interests and needs of each child, which helps them develop a lifelong love of learning and prepares them for success in kindergarten and beyond!

#### **Skill-Based Approach**

The Ascend Curriculum uses a "skillbased" approach that embraces the development of cognitive, physical, social-emotional, and creative skills through nine learning components.

#### **Individualized Skill Development**

Our goal is to recognize where children are on a particular skill and then take them to the next step without comparing their learning pace to that of other students in the classroom.

#### **Small Group Instruction**

Through small group participation,

children can take more responsibility for their own learning and in turn their independence and creativity bloom.

#### **Evidence of Learning**

All aspects of the Ascend Curriculum are documented, and we don't keep that information to ourselves. We showcase for parents what their children have learned and how they learned it, so parents can have the same success we do.

#### **Cultural Responsiveness**

The Ascend Curriculum encourages children to celebrate and value diversity and be proud of themselves and their family traditions. Teachers engage students in thoughtful interactions that dispel stereotypes and help children to appreciate differences.

#### **The Creative Curriculum**

The goal of The Creative Curriculum is to help children become independent, self-confident, inquisitive, and enthusiastic learners. The planned activities, the environment, the selection of materials, planning the daily schedule and interacting with children, are all designed to accomplish the goals of the curriculum.



Our Baby Signs<sup>®</sup> program helps children develop language and cognitive skills. Studies show that babies who sign develop speech sooner and have larger vocabularies when they do start talking. Signs for words such as please, thank you, more, and finished are reinforced during lunchtime and daily communication.

#### **OUR SIGNATURE PROGRAMS**

## KIND CHILD

We believe that children learn to be kind, treat others well, and are respectful, giving and thoughtful when they experience these traits firsthand. Kind Child is a culture in our entire school, not just a curriculum that we teach. We firmly believe that kindness is contagious, and it begins with a well-trained staff who exemplifies kindness and positive traits.

### KindergartenClub

Children in their last year of preschool are prepared for Kindergarten with this additional readiness program that focuses on social skills and academics. Homework is given on Fridays offering families activities to complete over the weekend. Children also get a special t-shirt and name badge. K-Club runs January to September.

#### The Clubhouse

Our before & after school program is offered for children Kindergarten to twelve years old on school days. We also offer fullday programs for all out of school days and camps during school breaks. Snacks and teacher-assisted homework/quiet time is provided, as well as crafts and time on our playground.