



Kindergarten 2025-2026

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- *Enrollment Paperwork

- Done online or filled out and turned into ASC

- *Health Appraisal

- Done between April 1st and August 25th

- *Howe School Information page

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- kids club information

- *Fall Supply list

- to help you shop those sales over the summer!

- *Readiness Handbook

- Activities and ideas of what to practice over summer

Montessori Philosophy

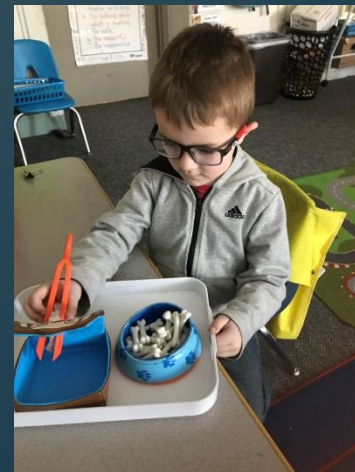
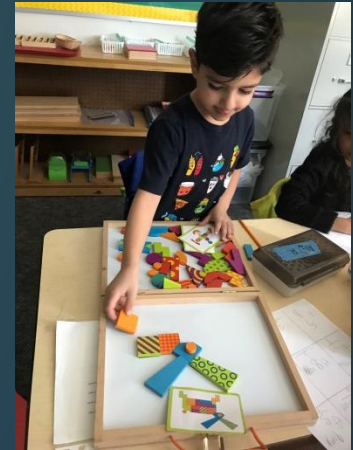
- The basic principle is to “follow the child”.
- A Montessori classroom is carefully prepared to allow the child to work independently and allow for the joy of self-discovery.



Practical Life

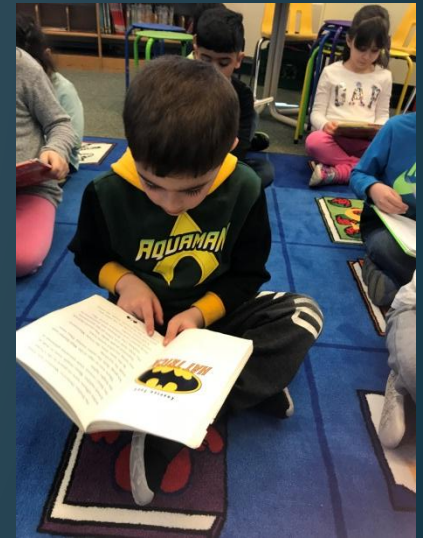
- Practical life in Montessori is purposeful activity
 - develops motor control and coordination
 - develops independence
 - concentration
 - sense of responsibility

The exercises in practical life cover two main areas of development: care of self, and care of the environment.



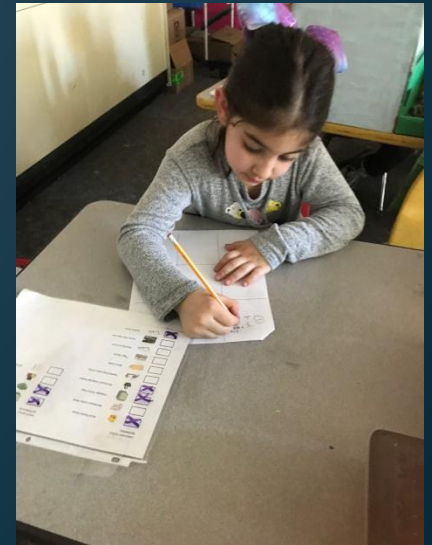
Language

- Montessori Language Sequence
 - Letter ID, Letter sounds, Beginning Sounds, Ending Sounds,
 - Middle Sounds (Vowels), Sounding out 3 letter words,
 - Word Building
- Benchmark
 - District wide literacy curriculum
- Leveled Literacy Intervention (LLI)
 - Intensive small group literacy intervention program focusing on reading and writing
- Reading
 - Weekly check out at school library
 - Every student has a leveled book bag taken home nightly



Math

- Montessori Math Sequence
 - Number ID, one to one correspondence, teen numbers, numbers from 30-100, comparing numbers ($<$, $>$, $=$), place value, addition, subtraction
- Eureka Squared Math
 - District wide math program that teaches the students to be able to compose and decompose numbers in multiple ways.
- Additional Topics taught
 - 3D shapes



- Science

- Amplify Science Curriculum
- Montessori Animal Units
- Weather

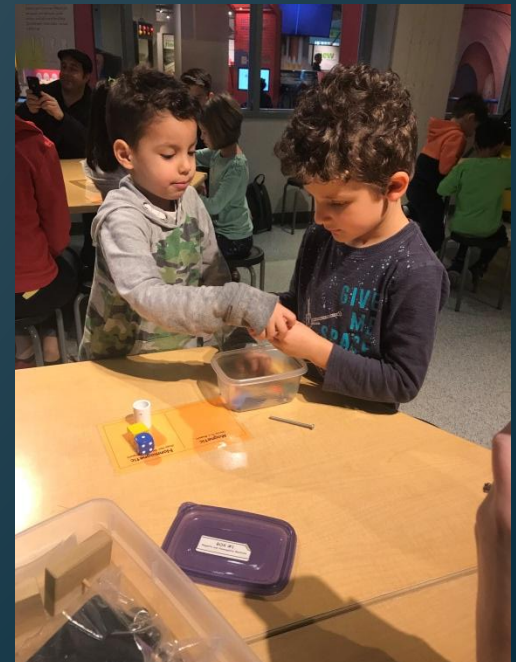
- Social Studies

- Citizenship
- Past, Present, Future
- Needs vs. Wants
- Maps and Globes study



Field Trips

- Typically 1-2 a year
- Attend with 1st and 2nd grade
- Parent chaperones their own child
- Volunteer Background Check needed with office prior to trip



Holidays & Celebrations!

- A big part of Kindergarten is learning about holidays and celebrations for different people and cultures. Below are things that we discuss and sometimes do a project for.

- Halloween
- Thanksgiving

Holidays Around the World in December

- MLK day
- Valentine's Day
- 100th Day of School
- Dr Seuss Birthday
- Ramadan
- St Patrick's Day
- Easter
- Eid
- Earth Day
- Mothers Day
- Fathers Day



There is a direct correlation between student achievement and attendance!

Attendance is Important!!

To excuse an absence
call:

313-827-7000

- Be early to be on time! Drop off begins at 8 am for breakfast. Ms. Lobsinger starts class at 8:25 am. Students have 5 minutes to unpack and get settled in.
- Schedule any appointments during breaks, early release time on Tuesday afternoon, or after school hours if possible.
- Plan vacations during school scheduled breaks (winter break, spring break, etc).
- Students should be at school until end of the day. Leaving early means they miss academics and end of day things.
- Being at school when we begin in August is VERY important. We use those first few weeks of schools to establish routines and procedures for the classroom.

Kindergarten Special Start Schedule

Soft Start the first week of school!

August 25th-28th

- Kindergarten will have half days with a 11:30am dismissal for the first week of school.
- Students will be eating lunch on all half days except the first day of school.

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Kids Club at Howe



We offer the following program here at Howe : (dependent on enrollment)

Kids Club Before and After School from 7 am to start of school and after school until 6 p.m.

- We have homework time, crafts, activities, games, STEM activities, outdoor time or gym time.
- There is a non-refundable registration fee. You must enroll 2 days per week.
- To Enroll: <https://dearbornschools.ce.eleyo.com/>

Questions? Call 313-827-8350

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Incoming Kindergarten Screener

Who needs to be screened?

- Any incoming kindergarten student that is not currently enrolled in a GSRP program in Dearborn or Howe preschool.

When will we be screening the students?

- Families schedule a day and time that works best. The screener will take place at the end of May.
- Students that attend Howe preschool or have siblings in the building will be screened during the school day.

Why are we screening the incoming kindergarten students?

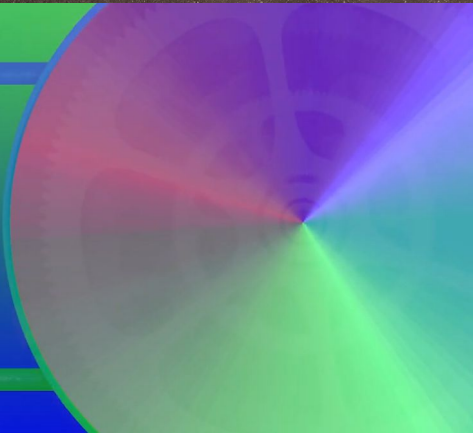
- We want to see where each child is currently at academically.
- We can give families some direction on what they can do at home to help their child succeed next school year.
- If a child is young and does not seem academically ready for Kindergarten, Y5 classrooms are offered at Geer Park, Henry Ford, Lindbergh, Maples, Salina, and McCollough Unis.

Young 5s Kindergarten

* A Strong Start for Young Learners *



WHAT IS
YOUNG
5s?





What is Young 5s Kindergarten?

A bridge between preschool and kindergarten.

FREE, full-day program that gives young learners a head start and provides them with an opportunity to learn and grow in an environment that is tailored to meet their academic and social needs.



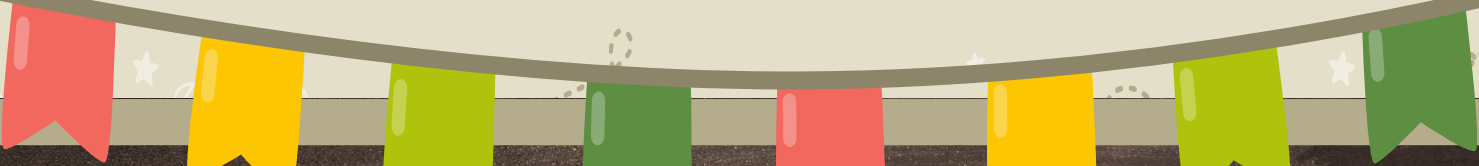
Young 5s is encouraged for...

- ★ Children with birthdays that fall between June 15th & December 1st
- ★ Children who would benefit from an additional year of growth between preschool and kindergarten.



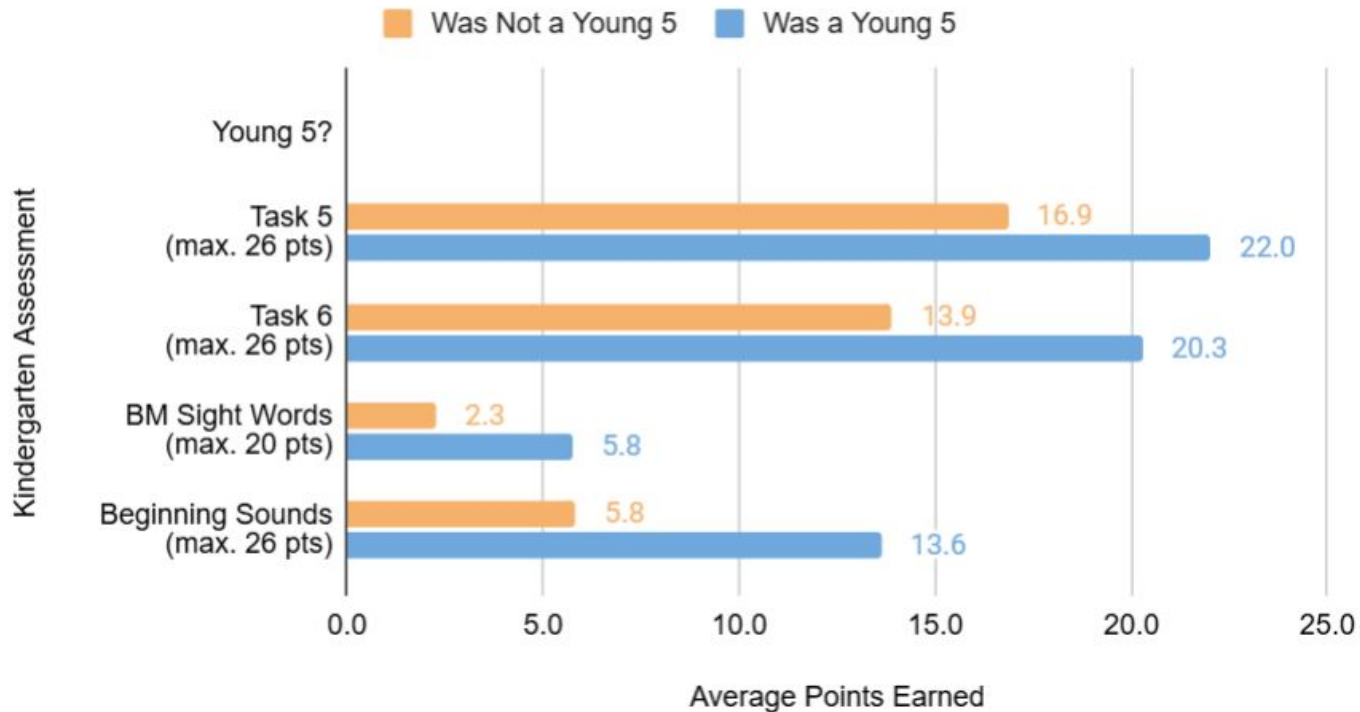
What Happens in a Young 5s Kindergarten Classroom?

- * Classroom: 19 or fewer students
- * Length of school day: Full day of school, five days a week
- * Shared activities: They participate in all kindergarten activities
- * Curriculum and learning: Academic and social skills that build on previous learning
- * Learning environment: Children will build a strong language base



Students that attended
Dearborn Public Schools'
Young 5s program showed
higher student achievement
in
kindergarten and first grade
compared to similarly-aged
students that did not attend
Young 5s.

2024-2025 Kindergarten Assessment Comparison



Koalas don't have much energy and, when not feasting on leaves, they spend their time dozing in the branches. Believe it or not, they can sleep for up to 18 hours a day!

iReady Kindergarten

ELA Scale Scores

Averages

Young 5?	Fall 2024
No	332.7
Yes	347.5
Grand Total	333.7



Math Scale Scores

Young 5?	Fall 2024
No	331.9
Yes	336.7
Grand Total	332.2



2023-2024 iReady Scores

Kindergarten



The analysis showed that Young 5s students scored higher on the DRA and iReady assessments across domains.

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Enrollment Procedure

- Attend kindergarten roundup & enrollment paperwork at your home school.
- If there are no Young 5s classrooms at your home school, administrators will refer families to buildings with the Young 5s program.
- Parents will be notified of slot availability by the final day of this school year.

Sign Up for Testing
May 28, 29, 30th

