

# GRACE LUTHERAN SCHOOL-KILLEEN, TEXAS

Offering Excellence  
in  
Early Childhood Education  
since 1979

At Grace Lutheran School, we strive for excellence in early childhood education. Our vision is to offer programs that nurture the total child - mentally, physically, socially, emotionally, and spiritually - and that fulfills the ministry of our school by providing a Christian education through teaching basic Bible stories that allow the children to grow in their faith in and relationship with our Lord Jesus Christ.

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## Class Offerings

### Kindergarten (Mondays-Fridays: 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.)

Eligibility: Children must be 5 by Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> to attend

Curriculum description: Following mandates of the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills Statements (TEKS), our Kindergarten offers a well-rounded program nurturing the total child: mentally, physically, socially, emotionally, and spiritually. Kindergarten is a special year in a child's life—one that sets the standard for many academic years ahead! At Grace we offer a program that blends a balance of developmentally-appropriate 'Hands-On' learning with academic preparation essential to developing strong reading and writing skills. (Ratio: 9 to each adult: fulltime teacher & aide--18 max.)

### 4-yr-old Preschool Programs (3 full days/wk 8:30 am.-3:30 pm M/W/F ) OR 5 half-days/wk (either 8:30-11:30 a.m. M-F or 12:30-3:30p.m M-F)

Eligibility: Children must be 4 by Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> to attend

Curriculum description: Following the TEKS, using a variety of techniques to foster Early Literacy Skills, and implementing an adaptation of math tubing activities (along the lines of the 'Math Their Way' program), children receive a well-balanced, developmentally-appropriate education that nurtures the total child. Hand-in-hand with exciting units/centers on topics such as Fairy Tales, Zoo Animals, etc.. the children are taught basic Bible stories and learn to develop a personal relationship with Jesus. These programs help to set children up for a successful academic beginning. (Ratio: 9 to each adult: teacher & aide in room with 18 maximum per class)

**NOTE: Children in the Fullday PreK-4 program on M/W/F are provided LUNCH and an afternoon snack as part of the cost. Ask in the office for more information on a customized fullday 5 days/wk program that utilizes Extended Care from 6 am-6 pm if needed.**

**Mother's Day Out Educational Programs (4 options—see other page)**

Eligibility: Child's birthday must fall by Sept 1<sup>st</sup> to enter program of choice  
(12-24 months Toddler's Room, 2-yr-old Room, 3 yr-old Room)

Curriculum description: Using developmentally-appropriate practices, each room is set up with a variety of centers and activities that foster the child's total growth in all areas. Using theme-based approaches, children learn essential social skills while expanding their world and being introduced to academic concepts as appropriate. Developmental checklists are used to help monitor student's growth. (Ratios: 3 yr-old program—14 children to 2 adults (14 max. per class)

2 yr-old program- 13 children to 2 adults (13 max. per class)

12-24 months Toddlers—9 children to 2 adults (9 max. per class)

NOTE: Children in the 2's and 3's may participate in a 'whole day' program that meets in the classroom half of the day while spending time in Ext. Care for rest, activities and lunch.

**Lunch and afternoon snack are included in whole day costs.** (You provide morning snack)

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**Extended Care Program:** One of the most convenient features of our school is having additional on-site childcare available for enrolled students for those times when parents have luncheons, doctor's appts, etc.. and need the children to come to school early, stay late, or come for care on a day when they normally aren't in class.

**THIS IS AVAILABLE TO THE MDO-2's PROGRAM STUDENTS AND UP (We do not take our MDO-1's toddlers because of the large gap in ages of children in care and the desire to offer a QUALITY environment).**

The Extended Care Room is open from 6 a.m.-6 p.m. Mondays through Fridays and is available with 24-hour **ADVANCED RESERVATIONS** (no 'spur of the moment drop-ins' since we must work continually to maintain an adequate staffing ratio)

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**MISSION STATEMENT**

Grace Lutheran School, a Christian outreach ministry arm of Grace Lutheran congregation, exists to work hand-in-hand with parents in nurturing and educating the total child-physically, emotionally, socially, environmentally, creatively, and spiritually-and to help prepare these children for a life of faith and Christian love in a constantly changing global society.

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Grace Lutheran School admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin. It's students will be provided all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made to students of the school. All students are expected to participate in the Bible story portion of the day and weekly chapel (as it applies) as this constitutes part of our ministry.



*For more information about these classes, availability, and fee schedules, please stop by for a visit. The school office is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 - 3:30 (except for school holidays).*

*You may call the school office at (254) 634-4424, or you may e-mail us at [glskilleen@yahoo.com](mailto:glskilleen@yahoo.com).*