



School Year 2022-2023

## Class Syllabus

Teacher: Mrs. Klenk

Assistant Teacher: Ms. Baker

Grade Level: Pre-Kindergarten

Subject(s): All

Contact Information:

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**Goal:** To provide young children with a solid foundation in academic, social, and emotional learning; preparing them for success throughout their school experience.

**Overview:** Welcome to Pre-K at Hampstead Hill Academy! We look forward to having you and your child as important members of our Pre-K community. In Pre-K, your child will learn, grow and develop in many ways. It is our desire to meet all students' academic, social, and emotional needs in an environment that nurtures and encourages joyful learning. Young students' enthusiasm and energy offer great challenges and rewards in the classroom. Please be sure to share any information about your child (food allergies, fears, interests, etc.) that you feel may be helpful.

**Classroom Rules:** Follow directions the first time; Keep your hands and feet to yourself; Safe body; Listen when others speak; Use kind words; Walk, don't run.

**Supplies:** Supplies will be collected and mostly shared throughout the classroom. Students will manage their personal supply box and can ask for new pencils, crayons, glue, scissors as needed.

**Classroom Donations:** Donations are always appreciated! We will let you know throughout the year if any supplies run out and we need more items.

**Parent conferences:** Parent conferences are very important. Please feel free to schedule a meeting at any time during the year. You can arrange a conference by Dojo message, note, phone call or email. Working together, we will ensure your child does their very best in Pre-K.

**Health:** Please give the teacher a list of any specific health concerns such as allergies and asthma. If your child needs to take any medication during school hours, you must speak with the school nurse. All medicine must go to the school nurse.

**Uniforms** – Uniforms are to be worn every day except on special occasion and out of uniform days, which will be announced by the school and on our school calendar.

**Uniform policy:** The HHA student uniform consists of a **collared navy blue shirt** with tan or khaki pants, shorts, or skirts. **Only navy blue sweaters/sweatshirts may be worn but MAY NOT have a hood.**

**Extra Clothes:** Students will need a set of seasonally appropriate clothes. Clothes must be labeled and neatly stored in a plastic bag. Please include a shirt, pants/skirt, socks/tights and underpants. If your child comes home with wet clothes, please send in a new set of clean clothes.

**Pick up/Drop off:** Our school day begins every morning at 8 am (breakfast starts at 7:40 in the cafeteria, entrance through the Streeper St. doors). It is very important your child be on time to school every day. Teachers will greet students in the morning at our outside facing classroom door. School dismisses at 2:40 pm. Families can pick their children up at the outside facing classroom door. Students will only be released to guardians or adults written on the emergency card/approved pick-up sheet.

**Lunch:** Students may pack a lunch or receive free lunch in the cafeteria.

**Snack:** We have a daily snack. It is the parent's responsibility to pack a healthy snack for your child every day. Snacks must be packed in a separate bag and **clearly labeled**. Healthy snacks are: fruit, cheese sticks, crackers, yogurt, or granola bars. Do not pack sweet treats or foods such as pop tarts, rice crispy treats, doughnuts, pastries and candy. We encourage students to bring water bottles to school daily. Please do not pack sugary drinks such as Kool-Aide, Hugs, soda, or Gatorade. Sugary snacks and drinks will be collected and students will be instructed to bring them to the cafeteria for lunch, or to bring them back home.

### **Water Bottles**

Your child may bring in a water bottle to help keep them hydrated during the day. Please be sure to only place water in this bottle, no juice or milk will be allowed. We ask that your child's water bottle have a pull top or that it be a thermos that has a straw attached. Bottles with a screw top often spill and make a large mess. Please put your child's name on the bottle or thermos. Please make sure water bottles are filled before your child comes to school.

**Folders:** Folders are sent home every evening and must be returned to school daily. The HHA newsletter includes important dates for field trips, family projects and special events. Families must check the folder every day. Please remove any papers in the "take home" section and return any papers in the "return to school" section.

**Family Projects:** Pre K students do not participate in daily homework but will be assigned family projects throughout the year. Family projects are fun learning experiences for the whole family. Please take time to support your child's academic growth at home and take time to work on these projects with your child.

**Reading Logs:** Pre-K students will not be participating in daily homework assignments. We do ask that you read with your child each night for 15 minutes. Reading logs will be sent home each month and should be signed and returned by parents when complete.

**Celebrations:** Specific details will be sent home with your child by letter for each holiday event. If you wish to send a small snack item in for your child's birthday please confirm it with your child's teacher first.

### **Course Overview:**

Language and Reading- Direct Instruction Programs "Language for Learning" and "Reading Mastery"

Math- EngageNY

Themes- Core Knowledge

**Portfolios:** Portfolios are collections of a student’s finest work. They are a celebration of a child’s achievements and a way to witness his or her growth over time. Individual portfolios are maintained for each student and available in the classroom for student, parent, family and teacher review. Portfolio pieces are selected by teachers and students and will be collected throughout the academic year.

**Field Trips TBD:**

1. Pumpkin Patch (10/28/22)
2. Play at Goucher College (01/19/23)
3. The Baltimore Zoo (05/26/23)

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***Hampstead Hill Academy***

***Pre-Kindergarten***

***Instructional Units***

**September**

First days of school- school rules and classroom procedures

Number sense- counting numbers 1-5

Sorting objects that are the same

All about me

5 senses

**October**

The changing seasons- Fall

Family

Continuation of numbers 1-5

Geometry- identifying, describing, sorting, comparing, and creating 2D & 3D shapes

**November**

Community

Thanksgiving/Harvest

Positions- students will develop vocabulary to describe relative positions of objects

**December**

Holidays and celebrations

Gingerbread Man- literature study

Continue building number sense with focus on the numbers 0, 6-10

**January**

Changing seasons- winter

Animals

Creating Sets 0-10

**February**

Important people in American History

100th day- number activities

Measuring – length, weight, capacity

**March**

Changing season- Spring

Seeds and plants

Sequencing and comparison of sets 0-5

**April**

Seeds and plants

Writing numbers 0-5, more/less/equal to

**May**

Habitats

Addition and subtraction

**June**

Physics- sink/float, push/pull, stack/roll/slide

Duplicating and extending patterns

End of year fun!