

Early Childhood/Preschool, Unit 2 – Preschool Curriculum

Desired Results

<p>Established Goals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Understand preschool curriculum -Create lesson plans based on a curriculum area -Use information learned and apply it to observations to identify characteristics <p>Common Core:</p> <p>-CC.11-12.R.1.2 Key Ideas and Details: Determine two or more central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.</p> <p>-CC.11-12.R.1.7 Integration of Knowledge and Ideas: Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in different media or formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively) as well as in words in order to address a question or solve a problem.</p> <p>-CC.11-12.W.1.c Text Types and Purposes: Use words, phrases, and clauses as well as varied syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships between claim(s) and reasons, between reasons and evidence, and between claim(s) and counterclaims.</p> <p>-CC.11-12.W.1.d Text Types and Purposes: Establish and maintain a formal style and objective tone while attending to the norms and conventions of the discipline in which they are writing.</p> <p>-CC.11-12.W.2.c Text Types and Purposes: Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.</p> <p>-CC.11-12.W.3.d Text Types and Purposes: Use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of the experiences, events, setting, and/or characters.</p> <p>-CC.11-12.W.4 Production and Distribution of Writing: Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.</p> <p>-CC.11-12.W.5 Production and Distribution of Writing: Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.</p> <p>-CC.11-12.SL.1 Comprehension and Collaboration: Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11–12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others’ ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.</p> <p>-CC.11-12.SL.3 Comprehension and Collaboration: Evaluate a speaker’s point of view, reasoning, and use of evidence and rhetoric, assessing the stance, premises, links among ideas, word choice, points of emphasis, and tone used.</p> <p>-CC.11-12.L.1 Conventions of Standard English: Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.</p>	<p>Unit Objectives/Learning Targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -To understand the preschool curriculum areas (social studies, music, dramatic play, art, science, math, literacy, writing) -To understand how to write a lesson plan -To describe preschool literacy -To create developmentally appropriate lessons -To evaluate preschool lesson plans -To analyze preschoolers through observations <p><i>Is this language sufficiently student friendly?</i></p> <p>Yes</p> <p>Other –Habits of Mind? Transfers? Content Standards?</p> <p><i>What kind of long-term independent accomplishments are desired?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -An analysis of preschool curriculum -To evaluate preschool lesson plans -To understand and create developmentally appropriate lessons for preschoolers -To prepare for future careers
<p>Essential Questions:</p> <p><i>What thought provoking questions could students consider to foster inquiry, meaning making or transfer?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -What are the preschool curriculum areas? -What entails preschool social studies (music, dramatic play, art, science, math, literacy, writing)? -How can I create developmentally appropriate lessons? 	<p>Key Understandings:</p> <p><i>What specifically do we want students to understand?</i></p> <p><i>What inferences should they make or realize?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -For students to understand preschooler curriculum -For students do understand how to select and plan developmentally appropriate lessons -Their conclusions will be fostered through observations of a preschool center

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<p>Students will know: <i>What basic facts or concepts should students be able to recall?</i> -Preschool curriculum areas -Characteristics of each preschool curriculum area -Identifying developmentally appropriate curriculum -How to observe correctly</p>	<p>Students will be skilled at: -Reflection, writing, communicating, analyzing, understanding <i>What discrete skills and processes should students be able to use?</i> -Identifying characteristics of preschool curriculum areas -Writing and critiquing preschool lessons -Observing preschoolers and their lessons</p>
<p>Key Vocabulary: Common Language: Literacy, print awareness, fine motor skills, story starters, phonemes, word wall, illustrating, manipulative, sequencing, one-to-one correspondence, rational counting, direct learning, indirect learning, teachable moments, process-centered curriculum, objective, inquiry, content</p>	
<p>Evidence</p>	
<p>Formative Assessments: -Journal entries, weekly activities and learning centers based on the preschool curriculum areas, exit slips <i>What qualities does this assessment exhibit?</i> -Checks the understanding of material -Allows for self-reflection on material</p>	
<p>Summative Assessments: -Observations in the preschool and students complete observation sheets -Creating lesson plans <i>How does this assess allow students to demonstrate understanding or meaning making through complex performance?</i> -These observation sheets are graded and allows for an application of material on preschooler development/curriculum -Lesson plans entail material learned related to preschool curriculum; students will perform critiques on their lesson plans as well</p>	
<p>Other Evidence: <i>What other evidence can we collect to determine if these goals are met?</i> -Progress on in-class assignments, research on preschool music/dramatic play/writing/language, journal entries, reading articles, analyzing preschool curriculum during preschool observations -Literacy week with Anna Carlson in the library and a guest speaker from “Mothergoose storytelling workshop” – students then will complete an author study and apply material learned in a literacy block lesson plan</p>	
<p>Learning Plan</p>	
<p>Pre Assessment? Interventions? Progress Monitoring? -Pre-assessment on preschooler curriculum -Monitor progress through weekly assignments Does the learning plan set out activities for acquisition, meaning and transfer of learning? -Students will apply information learned to preschool observations How will teachers monitor progress towards acquisition? What are potential rough spots? How will students get feedback? -Provide verbal and written feedback on observations -Potential rough spots include students not going to observe during their observation slot; being absent for curriculum area stations/activities/experiments because all materials are in class</p>	