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## St. Therese Nursery School

#### Assessment

Assessment is an ongoing process throughout the school year. The teachers utilize the State of Connecticut Preschool Framework to establish lesson plans that are cyclical in nature and introduce and revisit standards at a consistent basis. Each child has an individual portfolio that includes and is not limited to work samples, checklists, and anecdotal notes. As the year progresses and the teacher completes a baseline assessment on each child, individual goals are established and integrated into the daily lesson plans. Areas that require further exposure are revisited in either a small group or one on one with the teacher. Assessment tools include observational notes, checklists, examples of work and formal assessment tools such as the corresponding standard-based Office of Early Learning Developmental Standards. An explanation of the assessment follows this introduction. Assessments occur in November and late spring.

If at any point during the year the teacher feels that your needs further evaluation by your pediatrician or local school district, a conference will be held with the teacher, parents, and Director. It is our desire to meet the needs of every child. Therefore, an evaluation by a specialist may be needed to assist the child on their developmental journey.

Parent input is critical to your child's teacher understanding each individual child. Prior to beginning school, you will receive a "Getting to Know You" questionnaire to be completed and returned to your child's teacher. This allows the teacher to have some background knowledge on your child's interests, family experiences, and any previous school or daycare experiences. A copy of the "Getting to Know You" follows this introduction.



# Getting to Know Your Child Survey

Dear Families,

In an effort to continue our learning journey, we are asking you to complete this survey. This is a wonderful opportunity to establish our school to home connection. Please bring this to Meet & Greet and give to your child's teacher.

Miss	Michele		
Child's Name:  Child prefers to be called (nickname):  Name of parents or guardians:	-		
		Please list everyone living in your household (pets too!)	
		<del></del>	
My Child's Special Interests:			
Please list any special concerns you have regarding your child:			
Anything else I should know about our child to help make this successful:	school year most		
Has your child had adverse reaction?:			
Does your child nap?			
Has your child ever been in an early childhood center?			
At what age was your child potty trained?			
Thank you for your time! We look forward to sharing your le	arning journey!		



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A parent or teacher may request a conference at any time throughout the school year. Conferences may be held in person or via telephone. Formal conferences occur following each of the assessments. Parents will receive an email from Sign Up Genius, an online sign-up format to choose a slot for conference. This program will also remind you of your conference time two days prior. At your child's conference you will complete individual goals agreed upon with your child's teacher on a "Family Conference" form.

Parents will receive feedback regarding their child's daily progress at dismissal. This is a brief interaction between teacher and parent to solidify the home-school connection. In order to respect the confidentiality of each family, if there is an area that the teacher would like to discuss with a parent, they may inform you that they will give you a phone call later that day. If for some reason another family member such as a grandparent or care provider is picking up a child, the teacher will refrain from giving personal feedback unless requested to do so by the parent.