



WEST VALLEY
CHRISTIAN ACADEMY
PRESCHOOL - 8TH



September 2021

WVCA Preschool is a full year program with seasonal components to ensure our students are provided with a well rounded, and engaging school experience. We wrapped-up our Summer Component and are entering the Fall Component that includes the introduction to our **New Beginners Bible Curriculum** and our **School Readiness Curriculum**. The transition includes welcoming new students to all of our classrooms, as well as the reopening of our Caterpillar's Classroom, and our Beautiful Butterfly Toddler Room.

WVCA Preschool Teachers & Staff welcome you to the 2021-2022 School Year!

Our Doors are Open to Families for Drop-off & Pick-up Beginning Tuesday SEP 7.

We are so excited to announce that families can walk their child to their classrooms again! Please enter through the Preschool Office Entrance, into the Ladybugs classroom, and out to the yard. Our back doors are now our front doors!

We ask that all families wear a mask in the classroom, and limit their drop-off and pick-up times to under 15 minutes.

Setting the Stage for Success with the Teaching Pyramid Approach

We look to the Teaching Pyramid Approach for our strategies in partnering with families to offer our student's successful school days, and partnering between school and home. This month's focus is in *Developing Stress-free Morning Routines*. In order for our students to be successful at school their growing bodies need a good night rest (between 10-12 HRS), a healthy diet (low in sugar and treats), and a predictable routine.

Attached to this month's newsletter is the *Backpack Connection Series'* "How to Help Your Child have a Successful Morning." Preschool is a rigorous day for both full time and part time students, and requires their best-self to be able to participate in all the daily activities. We hope this helpful handout is a resource for building your new school year routines, and builds the partnership between school and home.



WVCA Preschool Scholastic Book Club

Class Code TPZTK

We are a Scholastic Book Club school, and provide monthly book orders to enrich your child's love for literacy.

Each book you purchase also helps us earn book points for free books for our classrooms.

First Order Due SEP 24

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The Beginner's Bible Curriculum



Each week the student's will be introduced to a Bible story for 10 minutes each day. On Wednesdays, each classroom as a Chapel experience with Prayer, Worship, and review of the week's lesson. Each lesson includes small group activities, and a Home Connections handout with the Bible Verse, and ideas for home extensions that can include activities, songs, and prayer.

It's ASQ Time!

We partner with Help Me Grow of San Joaquin County to ensure every child is screened annually for their emotional and physical development. Help Me Grow is an agency that can provide advocacy, and support to resources for any developmental needs that may arise.

Parents know their child the best, and are the most equipped to complete these screenings. Attached to this month's newsletter is details on how to access the screeners from our website. It only takes about 10-15 mins. **Our goal is that 100% of our students are screened annually. Help us reach that goal!**

Each participating family will also receive a free book in the mail for completing their ASQ.

If you would like a hardcopy alternative, please email msmith@wvcapreschool.com.



Do you have questions or concerns about your child's developmental growth?

Call (209) 461-2728 for a FREE screening. For additional support to other resources, please dial 2-1-1. Bilingual services available.

Help Me Grow is a call center that offers FREE Ages and Stages Questionnaire (ASQ) developmental screening for any child ages 0 to 5 in San Joaquin County.

The (ASQ) Ages and Stages Questionnaires screening covers the five areas of development:

- Gross Motor
- Social Emotional
- Problem Solving
- Communication
- Fine Motor

