

The Preschool Instructional Day

Activity	Suggested Activities	Suggested Time	Half Day Time	Suggested Resources	Teaching Strategy	
Arrival This a time for simple routines that welcome children into the classroom each morning.	 students are welcomed students put away belonging student's sign in activities music is playing question of the day some activities are accessible to minimize "wait time" and transition students to circle time area 	10-15 minutes	Flexible	 Dr. Jean's Reading Recipes Splash Curriculum 	Begins with modeled instruction and with support becomes an independent practice	
Circle Time This is a time for classroom community building. The teacher provides an engaging and inviting space for children to participate and share their thoughts.	 calendar, weather, birthdays, helpers morning message, shared reading, shared poem discuss plans for the day rules/conscious discipline routines and songs PATHS Lesson songs, marches, movement letter, word games 	15-20 minutes	15-20 minutes	 Splash Curriculum's Conscious Discipline Dr. Jean's Reading Recipe Dr. Jean's Math Recipes Literacy Beginnings, Section: "Living and Learning in the PreK Classroom" Handwriting Without Tears PATHS Curriculum 	Always includes model instruction and shared practice	
Music/Movement Activity This is a time when students engaging in a musical and/or gross motor experience.	 songs, marches, finger plays, gross motor movements 	10-15 minutes	5 minutes	 Dr. Jean videos and music Splash Curriculum's Play and Learn Activities and CD's 	Always includes modeled instruction and shared practice	

		45-55	20-30	Splash Curriculum's	Shared and
Centers and Small Group Time This is a time when students rotate between small groups with the teacher and centers.	Teacher Lead Small Groups: Interactive Writing and Drawing Interactive Reading Strategy Groups Independent Practice/Centers: Learning Centers Inquiry Centers	45-55 minutes	minutes	 Splash Curriculum's theme center activities Dr. Jean Reading Recipe Literacy Beginnings Handwriting Without Tears 	independent practice
Transition	clean up songs, chants, marches	5-10 minutes	5 minutes		Begins with modeled instruction and with support becomes an independent practice
Modeled Instruction This is a time the teacher creates an engaging learning experience through the use of interactive read alouds and/or mini lessons.	Interactive Read Aloud: • themes, simple concepts animals, alphabet, rhyming, seasons, shapes, feeling, numbers, shapes, math concepts Mini Lessons (Aligned to Ohio's Early Learning Content Standards) • math • reading/writing • science • social studies	10-15 minutes	10-15 minutes	 Theme Books Concept Books Splash Curriculum's reading or math lesson Handwriting Without Tears Dr. Jean Reading & Math Recipes 	Modeled Practice
Lunch/Recess		40 minutes			
Special/Encore		50 minutes			
Nap/Snack		.5 - 1 hour (not to exceed 1 hour)	No nap		

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Math Modeled Instruction This is a time for the teacher to facilitate learning experiences using interactive read alouds and mini lessons based on the math early learning content standard(s).	Interactive Read Aloud	10-15 minutes		 theme Books content Books trade Books Splash Curriculum's math lesson Dr. Jean Math Recipes Math Songs, chants, & rhymes 	Modeled Practice
Choice Time	blocksdramatic play	45-55 minutes	10-20 minutes		Independent Practice
Purposeful Play This is a time for children to make decisions about their play and are engaged in open ended activities	 music library puzzles/games/fine motor sand/water table art computer 				
Transition	 clean up songs, chants, marches 	5 minutes	5 minutes	Dr. Jean songs	Begins with modeled instruction and with support becomes an independent practice
Closing Circle Time	 song, games, movement sharing and recalling the day closing read aloud home preparation 	10-15 minutes	10-15 minutes	Splash CurriculumDr. Jean songs	Always includes model instruction and shared practice
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