

## APPLE HILL PRESCHOOL CURRICULUM

**FINE MOTOR SKILLS** are emphasized at an early age. Children fashion their arts and crafts, with completion equating perfection.

**GROSS MOTOR SKILLS** are developed through indoor and outdoor play, drama, music, and dance.

**HISTORY and GEOGRAPHY** units are incorporated an appropriately presented.

**LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT** at an early age is instrumental for strong communication skills. Emphasis includes discussion, listening, vocabulary, dictation, questioning, and interpretation of stories and songs.

**MATH READINESS** features number recognition, number concepts, formation, shapes, measurement, spatial relations, patterning, addition, subtraction, graphing, and grows through positive reinforcement and the pride of success.

**READING READINESS** includes letter recognition and formation, phonics, rhymes, sight words, and word families. All are pursued enabling each child to achieve their fullest potential and the life-long love of reading and learning.

**SCIENTIFIC UNDERSTANDING,** both natural and physical, begins with curiosity. With guidance, this interest expands into observation, comparison, classification, analysis, prediction, and experimentation. The thrill of discovery at an early age promotes a healthy environmental respect, advanced levels of cognitive development, and fosters complex mathematical reasoning.

**SELF-ESTEEM** grows through positive reinforcement and the pride of success.

**SELF-EXPRESSION** by means of **ARTS, CRAFTS, MUSIC, and DRAMA,** allows each child to explore and create, establishing individual character.

**SOCIALIZATION** is the key to a young child's enjoyment of school. Apple Hill Preschool encourages warm, loving, and cooperative relationships in a family environment.

**SPANISH** is taught to all age levels.

**TECHNOLOGY** is in our children's future. **COMPUTERS** are used to reinforce and expand traditional readiness concepts and to enhance reasoning skills.