



LONG-RANGE CURRICULUM GOALS FOR OAK TREES GROUP

PHYSICAL: Encourage physical independence and self-reliance as much as possible in tasks such as eating, toileting, and dressing to gain large-muscle competence in balancing, catching, climbing, etc...and to express fine-motor competence in such tasks as folding paper, following a sequence of holes in lacing, using a crayon or pencil to fill in a defined area, cutting straight and curved lines and reproducing shapes.

EMOTIONAL: Goals of building self-esteem and confidence in themselves and their abilities are forwarded by encouraging the children to express their needs, feelings and frustrations appropriately.

INTELLECTUAL: We want this group to have a firm knowledge of color, shape, size and texture, recognition of letters, understanding of ordinal meaning of numbers and ability to solve simple verbal math problems. We work toward expression of concepts in well-thought-out sentences and ability to contribute to small group discussion. Emphasis is put on creative expression of intellect through various media.

SOCIAL: The children are able to use manners, cooperate with others and follow directions. They respect themselves and their classmates as well as their environment. They negotiate and discuss problems with the people involved and also show empathy toward others.

