



Bright Horizons®

Kindergarten

*Why choose Kindergarten
at Bright Horizons?*

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 **READY for SCHOOL**

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Bright Horizons at Cranberry

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At **Bright Horizons**[®], your child will be cared for in a loving and nurturing environment by experienced and dedicated teachers.

At Bright Horizons at Cranberry we offer:

- ▶ A full day program licensed by the Department of Education, with before and after care!

The school day takes place from 9:00am to 3:00pm.

- ▶ The school day includes *World at the Fingertips* creative curriculum aligned with PA Common Core Standards.

Additional supplemental Kindergarten materials include *Writing through the Year*, *Phonological Awareness Curriculum*, *Daily Five*, *Kinder Math*, *Math Essentials*, *Science Projections and Provocations*, and computers and Smart Board within the classroom!

- ▶ Early Registration before the age of 5! If your child is four, they may begin Kindergarten if they turn five by December 1st. This is an extension compared to most school districts.
- ▶ Smaller group size, lower teacher-to-child ratios, more time for individualized instruction.
- ▶ Lessons are age appropriate, all with the goal of encouraging curious, happy and confident children who, above all, fully experience the joys of childhood. Our certified teacher creates lessons meeting State and NAEYC standards.
- ▶ Strong parent/teacher communication and partnerships.

What will my child learn in Kindergarten at Bright Horizons?

- ▶ **Reading and Writing Skills** – Your child will be introduced to all preliminary sight words along with some primer sight words. They will build on reading skills to begin reading early reader books using guided reading and phonological awareness. We recognize each child learns different, and each child will build on their reading level at their own pace. They will also build skills to write with the knowledge of beginning punctuation and sentence structure.
- ▶ **Math Concepts** – The children will learn to count to 100 by ones and will learn to skip count to 100 by 2, 5 and 10. The children will be introduced to measuring, time telling, addition, subtraction, estimation, graphing, tally marks, patterning, 2 & 3-Dimensional shapes, symmetry and money.
- ▶ **Science** – The children will learn about American symbols, weather, trees, seasons, the difference between living and non-living things, life cycles of plants and animals, what plants and animals need to grow, pollution, recycling, chemistry, the human anatomy, density, matter and geography.
- ▶ **Social Skills** – Your child will learn about conflict resolution, problem solving, classroom responsibility, beginning geography and multiple cultures.

Questions to Consider when Looking at a Kindergarten Program:

- ▶ Does the school meet my basic needs? Is there before and after care if needed? What time is the school day?
- ▶ What are the children expected to know coming in?
- ▶ What are the objectives for the children to learn over the course of the year?
- ▶ How many children are in a class? What is the teacher-to-child ratio?
- ▶ Does the teacher have time for one-on-one individual instruction with each child?
- ▶ How frequently are the children assessed?
- ▶ What forms of communication do the parent and the teacher have between them?
- ▶ Are families welcomed in the school and/or classroom?

Local School Districts

If you have questions about other school districts nearby, you are able to get some background knowledge from their school websites. They share their curriculum outlines as well as their school year calendars with planned days off for the year ahead. Below are websites for some of our local school districts.

- ▶ **Hampton Township School District**
<https://www.ht-sd.org/>
- ▶ **North Allegheny School District**
<https://www.northallegheny.org/>
- ▶ **Pine Richland School District**
<https://www.pinerichland.org/>
- ▶ **Pittsburgh Public Schools**
<https://www.pghschools.org/>
- ▶ **Seneca Valley School District**
<https://www.svsd.net/>