

# **Transitional Kindergarten**

## **Preparing for Success in Kindergarten and Beyond**

### **What is Transitional Kindergarten?**

Transitional Kindergarten is the first year of a two-year kindergarten program that uses a modified kindergarten curriculum that is age- and development-appropriate.

With the increasingly academic demands of kindergarten, Transitional Kindergarten is designed to support students who turn five years old between September 2<sup>nd</sup> and December 2<sup>nd</sup> each school year.

This program will provide children with the necessary social and academic skills for success throughout their school experience.

### **What will Transitional Kindergarten look like?**

Transitional Kindergarten will follow the same home school/independent study program as our traditional kindergarten program. Transitional Kindergarten offers Instructional Funds, access to a credentialed teacher, computer technology, customized curriculum, on-site enrichment classes, and field trips. Independent study/home school is a fantastic way to provide students with one-on-one support in daily lessons, hands on learning opportunities, and custom curriculum choices that will increase the child's chance of success; all with the support of a credentialed teacher.

### **How can families be involved in Transitional Kindergarten?**

Family involvement is very important to a child's success. Following daily lessons at home and providing small group learning opportunities is essential in helping your child succeed. Active participation in a child's educational journey is necessary to build a strong foundation.

Monthly meetings with a credentialed teacher will be used to monitor your child's progress and provide you with support throughout the school year. The teacher will guide you in home schooling, assist with curriculum choices, and assess your child on a regular, informal basis. At the end of Transitional Kindergarten, your child will promote to traditional kindergarten.

We look forward to welcoming you and your child to Transitional Kindergarten at NUA.