

Pre-K Scope and Sequence



This **Pre-K Scope and Sequence** shows a progression of interdisciplinary learning throughout the year in three sections. In order to ground children in their own experiences and expand their understanding of the people and world around them with increasing complexity, pre-K students start the year studying "My Community and Me," then move into "My Environment and Me," and finally, "Change and Growth All Around Me." To make the most of the pre-K year as the first step in a child's P-12 Common Core aligned learning path, the **development of inquiry and critical thinking** will be a consistent thread throughout all themes and units. The units provide opportunities for content exploration and skill building that are aligned with **the NYC DOE Kindergarten Social Studies and Science Scope and Sequence**. Units will assist teaching teams in nurturing inquiry, language and problem solving skills through their organization of the classroom environment, interactions with students, use of books and other texts, incorporation of new vocabulary, use of purposeful play, and family engagement practices.

All lessons and activities support the comprehensive state pre-K learning standards and guiding principles, known as the Prekindergarten Foundation for the Common Core (PKFCC). The PKFCC standards are a comprehensive description of skills and knowledge that children should work towards with "increasing awareness and competence" (PKFCC p. 14) throughout the year. The NYC Pre-K Learning Goals (LGs) provide a summary of skills and knowledge children should develop by the end of the year based on the standards. Each unit incorporates focus standards from the PKFCC and Learning Goals (LGs). Although each unit emphasizes certain standards, children will continue to develop in all areas at varying rates. Rich classroom learning ensures that standards are revisited throughout the year. It is the responsibility of each teacher to get to know the strengths that the children bring into the classroom and differentiate materials, instructional components and activities to challenge and interest each child appropriately. In order to understand where children are and what they need, teachers use authentic assessment systems to continuously observe and document children's learning throughout the year, using that data to inform instruction. Items from the DOE's three approved authentic assessment systems for pre-K are included in order to help make connections between focus standards and the formative assessments used to individualize instruction and engage families. These assessments include Teaching Strategies GOLD (TSG), Work Sampling System (WSS), and High Scope COR (COR).

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Themes	My Community and Me	The Environment and Me	Change and Growth All Around Me
	(September-November)	(December-March)	(April-June)
Unit Topics	Welcome to Pre-K 5 Senses All About Us	Where We Live Transportation Light Water	Plants Babies Transformation
Kindergarten Alignment These pre-K studies will provide important foundational knowledge for students and support their growing understanding of self and the world around them. Domain Approaches to Learning (AL)	This pre-K theme occurs simultaneously to the Kindergarten (K) social studies unit on School and Community. It will introduce children to the practices of studying themselves and others, which lay the foundation for the Kindergarten unit Self and Others. In this theme, children begin seeing themselves as critical thinkers and observers of the environment and people around them, practicing key science skills that they will use in future pre-K and Kindergarten science-based units. AL.1 Actively and confidently engages in play as a means of exploration and learning.1 *TSG 11d, WSS I.C.1 AL.4 Exhibits curiosity, interest, and willingness in learning new things and having new experiences.	This pre-K theme will add depth to children's study of themselves which aligns with the Kindergarten social studies unit of Self and Others. Additionally, children will experience content that supports the K unit Geography, People and the Environment. Science content aligns to the K unit on light and water (Trees Through the Seasons as well as Exploring Properties). AL.3 Approaches tasks, activities and problems with creativity, imagination and/or willingness to try new experiences or activities. AL.5 Demonstrates persistence. *TSG 11a, WSS I.C.2, COR B	In studying Plants and Babies, pre-K students will continue to learn about the physical environment (aligns to the K social studies unit Geography, People and the Environment as well as the Science unit on Exploring Properties). The study of transformation supports important concepts that are addressed while studying change in K (social studies unit Families, Change and Time). Also science content aligns to K units on plants and the environment (Trees Through the Seasons) and livings things (Animals). AL.2 Actively engages in problem solving.
	Children will demonstrate curiosity, creativity, flexibility, and a willingness to try new experiences.	Children will demonstrate persistence in play, activities, and problem solving.	Children will cooperate with peers to extend play and solve problems. Children will demonstrate use of music, movement, drama and visual art to express ideas and emotions.

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<u>Physical Development</u>	PDH.1 Uses senses to assist and guide learning.	PDH.2 Uses sensory information to plan and carry out movements.	PDH.4 Combines a sequence of large motor skills with and without equipment.
and Health (PDH)	learning.	carry out movements.	skins with and without equipment.
	PDH.6 Engages in a variety of physical fitness activities.	PDH.3 Demonstrates coordination and control of large muscles.	
	PDH.9 Demonstrates awareness and understanding of safety rules.	PDH.5 Demonstrates eye-hand coordination and dexterity needed to manipulate objects.	
	PDH.7 Demonstrates personal care and hygiene skills.	PDH.8 Demonstrates awareness and understanding of healthy habits.	
	*TSG 1c, WSS VII.C.1, COR D Children will demonstrate an understanding of safe and healthy habits.	Learning Goals addressed in other themes.	Children will demonstrate appropriate gross motor skills and fine motor skills in a variety of settings.
Social and Emotional	SED.1 Recognizes himself/herself as a unique	SED.2 Regulates his/her responses to needs,	SED.5 Demonstrates pro-social problem
Development (SED)	individual having his/her own abilities, characteristics, feelings and interests.	feelings and events.	solving skills in social interactions. *TSG 2a, WSS I.D.1, COR E
	characteristics, recinigs and interests.		
	SED.3 Demonstrates and continues to		SED.7 Adapts to change.
	develop positive relationships with significant adults.	SED.4 Develops positive relationships with their peers.	
	SED.6 Understands and follows routines and rules.		
	Children will demonstrate positive self-	Children will demonstrate self-regulation	Learning Goals addressed in other themes.
	concept, confidence, and increasing autonomy.	skills in response to needs, feelings, and events.	
	autonomy.	events.	
	Children will develop and maintain positive relationships with children and adults.		

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Communication, Language and Literacy (CLL) A. Approaches to Communication	CLL.1 Demonstrate that they are motivated to communicate.	CLL.4 Demonstrates his/her ability to express ideas using a variety of methods. CLL.5 Demonstrates a growing receptive vocabulary.	CLL.2 Demonstrates he/she is building background knowledge. CLL.3 Demonstrates that he/she understands what they observe. CLL.6 Demonstrates a growing expressive
			vocabulary.
B. English Language Arts and Literacy	Reading Standards for Literature CLL.3 With prompting and support, ask and answer questions about characters and major events in a story. CLL.5 Students interact with a variety of common types of texts. CLL.10 Actively engage in group reading activities with purpose and understanding.	Reading Standards for Literature CLL.1 With prompting and support ask and answer detail(s) about a text. CLL.4 Exhibit curiosity and interest in learning new vocabulary. CLL.7 With prompting and support, students will engage in a picture walk to make connections between self, illustrations, and the story.	Reading Standards for Literature CLL.2 With prompting and support, retell familiar stories. CLL.6 With prompting and support, can describe the role of an author and illustrator. CLL.11 With prompting and support, make connections between self, text, and the world around them (text, media, social interaction). CLL.9 With prompting and support, students will compare and contrast two stories relating to the same topic.
	Reading Standards for Informational Text CLL.5 Identify the front cover, back cover; displays correct orientation of book, page turning skills. CLL.7 With prompting and support, describe the relationship between illustrations and the text in which they appear (e.g., what person, place, thing or idea in the text an illustration depicts). CLL.10 Actively engage in group reading activities with purpose and understanding.	Reading Standards for Informational Text CLL.1 With prompting and support, ask and answer questions about details in a text. CLL.2 With prompting and support, retell detail(s) in a text. CLL.4 Exhibit curiosity and interest in learning new vocabulary. CLL.9 With prompting and support, identify basic similarities and differences between two texts on the same topic (e.g., illustrations, descriptions or procedures).	Reading Standards for Informational Text CLL.3 With prompting and support, describe the connection between two events or pieces of information in a text. CLL.6 With prompting and support, can describe the role of an author and illustrator.

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	Reading Standards: Foundational Skills CLL.4 Displays emergent reading behaviors with purpose and understanding (e.g., pretend reading).	Reading Standards: Foundational Skills CLL.1 Demonstrate understanding of the organization and basic features of print. CLL.2 Demonstrate an emerging understanding of spoken words, syllables and sounds (phonemes).	Reading Standards: Foundational Skills CLL.3 Demonstrate emergent phonics and word analysis skills.
	Writing Standards CLL.1 With prompting and support, use a combination of drawing, dictating, or writing to express an opinion about a book or topic (e.g., I like because).	Writing Standards CLL.3 With prompting and support, use a combination of drawing, dictating, or writing to narrate a single event and provide a reaction to what happened. CLL.5 With guidance and support, respond to questions and suggestions and add details to strengthen illustration or writing, as needed.	Writing Standards CLL.2 With prompting and support, use a combination of drawing, dictating, or writing to compose informative/explanatory texts in which they name what they are writing about and supply some information about the topic. CLL.6 With guidance and support, explore a variety of digital tools to produce and publish writing; collaborate with peers. CLL.7 With guidance and support, participate in shared research and writing projects (e.g., explore a number of books by a favorite author and express opinions about them). CLL.8 With guidance and support, recall information from experiences or gather information from provided sources to answer a question. CLL.11 Create and present a poem, dramatization, art work, or personal response to a particular author or theme studied in class, with prompting and support as needed.

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	Speaking and Listening CLL.3 With guidance and support, ask and answer questions in order to seek help, get information or clarify something that is not understood. CLL.4: Describe familiar people, places, things and events, and with prompting and support, provide additional detail. Language Standards CLL.6 With prompting and support, use words and phrases acquired through conversations, reading and being read to, and responding to texts.	Speaking and Listening CLL.1 With guidance and support, participate in collaborative conversations with diverse partners about pre-kindergarten topics and texts with peers and adults in small and large groups. CLL.6 Demonstrate an emergent ability to express thoughts, feelings and ideas. Language Standards CLL1 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. CLL.5 With guidance and support, explore word relationships and nuances in word	Speaking and Listening CLL.5 Add drawings or other visual displays to descriptions as desired to provide additional detail. CLL.2 With guidance and support, confirm understanding of a text read aloud or information presented orally or through other media by asking and answering questions about key details and requesting clarification if something is not understood. Language Standards CLL.2 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. CLL.3 Use knowledge of language and how language functions in different contexts.
		meanings.	CLL.4 Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on pre-kindergarten reading and content.
Language and Literacy	Children will express ideas and information through drawing, writing, and dictating. Children will understand and use an increasing complex and varied vocabulary. Children will understand and respond to literary and informational texts.	Children will recognize the names and sounds associated with some letters. Children will engage in extended conversations with peers and adults.	Children will understand that language can be broken into words, syllables, and smaller pieces of sound. Children whose home language is not English will engage in English language literacy activities including the use of literary and informational books.
Cognition and Knowledge of the World (CKW) Mathematics Science	Mathematics Counting and Cardinality PK.CKW.2 Represent a number of objects with a written numeral 0 – 5 (with 0 representing a count of no objects).	Mathematics Counting and Cardinality PK.CKW.5 Identify whether the number of objects in one group is more, less, greater than, fewer, and/or equal to the number of objects in another group, e.g., by using	Mathematics Counting and Cardinality PK.CKW.1 Count to 20.

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Social Studies The Arts Technology	My Community and Me (September-November) PK.CKW.3 Understand the relationship between numbers and quantities to 10; connect counting to cardinality. PK.CKW.4 Count to answer "how many?" questions about as many as 10 things arranged in a line, a rectangular array, or a circle, or as many as 5 things in a scattered configuration; given a number from 1 – 10, count out that many objects. Measurement and Data PK.CKW.2 Sort objects and count the numbers of objects in each category (limit category counts to be less than or equal to 10). Geometry Identify and describe shapes (squares, circles, triangles and rectangles). PK.CKW.1. Describe objects in the environment using names of shapes, and describe the relative positions of these objects using terms such as top, bottom, up, down, in front of, behind, over, under, and next to. PK.CKW.2 Correctly name shapes regardless	The Environment and Me (December-March) matching and counting strategies (up to 5 objects). PK.CKW.6 Identify "first" and "last" related to order or position. Operations and Algebraic Thinking PK.CKW.2 Duplicate and extend (e.g., what comes next?) simple patterns using concrete objects. Measurement and Data PK.CKW.1 Identify measurable attributes of objects, such as length, and width. Describe them using correct vocabulary (e.g. small, big, short, tall, empty, full, heavy and light). Geometry Analyze, compare and sort objects. PK.CKW.1 Analyze, compare and sort two-and three-dimensional shapes and objects, in different sizes, using informal language to describe their similarities, differences, and other attributes (e.g. color, size and shape). PK.CKW.2 Create and build shapes from components (e.g., sticks and clay balls).	Operations and Algebraic Thinking PK.CKW.1 Demonstrate an understanding of addition and subtraction by using objects, fingers, and responding to practical situations (e.g., if we have 3 apples and add 2 more, how many apples do we have all together?).
	*TSG 21b		

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	Science PK.CKW.1 Asks questions and makes predictions based on observations and manipulation of things and events in the environment. PK.CKW.2 Tests predictions through exploration and experimentation. Social Studies PK.CKW.1 Develops a basic awareness of self	Science PK.CKW.5 Observes and describes characteristics of living things. *TSG 24 PK.CKW.6 Acquires knowledge about the physical properties of the world. Social Studies PK.CKW.3 Demonstrates knowledge of the	Science PK.CKW.3 Generates explanations and communicates conclusions regarding experiments and explorations. PK.CKW.4 Observes and describes characteristics of earth and space. Social Studies PK.CKW.4 Develops an understanding of
	as an individual, self within the context of family, and self within the context of community. PK.CKW.2 Demonstrates awareness and appreciation of their own culture and other cultures. PK.CKW.5 Demonstrates an understanding of roles, rights and responsibilities. PK.CKW. 8 Demonstrates interest and awareness about a wide variety of careers and work environments.	relationship between people, places, and regions. PK.CKW.6 Begins to learn the basic civic and democratic principles.	how people and things change over time and how to relate past events to their present and future activities. PK.CKW.7 Develops a basic understanding of economic concepts within a community.
	The Arts PK.CKW.1 Expresses oneself and represents what he/she knows, thinks, believes and feels through visual arts. PK.CKW.3 Expresses oneself by engaging in musical activities.	The Arts PK.CKW.5 Participates in a variety of dramatic play activities to represent fantasy and real life experiences. PK.CKW.7 Expresses what he/she knows, thinks, feels and believes through dance and creative movement.	The Arts PK.CKW.2 Responds and reacts to visual arts created by themselves and others. PK.CKW.4 Responds and reacts during musical activities. PK.CKW.6 Responds and reacts to theater and drama presentations.

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	Technology PK.CKW.1 Describes types of materials and how they're used.	Technology PK.CKW.2 Explores and uses various types of tools appropriately. PK.CKW.4 Understands the operation of technology systems.	PK.CKW.8 Responds and reacts to dance and creative movement. PK.CKW.9 Expresses an understanding of artistic difference among cultures. Technology PK.CKW.3 Expresses an understanding of how technology affects them in daily life, and how it can be used to solve problems. PK.CKW.5 Uses the knowledge of technology to increase learning.
Cognition and General Knowledge Mathematics Science Social Studies	Mathematics Learning Goals addressed in other themes.	Mathematics Children will understand measurement and concepts such as "longer/shorter," and "heavier/lighter." Children will describe and compare features of objects and shapes. Children will demonstrate an awareness of spatial relationships, patterns, and sequences.	Mathematics Children will understand and intentionally manipulate quantities.
	Science Children will demonstrate basic use of scientific method and basic conceptual knowledge of the natural and physical world.	Science Children will demonstrate the ability to think through problems and apply strategies for solving them.	Science Learning Goals addressed in other themes.
	Social Studies Children will demonstrate an understanding of one's relationship to the family and the community, roles in the family and community and will demonstrate respect for diversity.	Social Studies Learning Goals addressed in other themes.	Social Studies Learning Goals addressed in other themes.

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