

# *the* MISSION



The mission of Excel Preparatory Preschool Academy is to provide exceptional care to young scholars, while fostering each scholar's development, and ensuring their readiness for school and beyond in a vigorous academic environment.





## OUR Present is REFINING the FUTURE

### Excel Preparatory Preschool Academy

We are currently welcoming new scholars for the **2019** academic year. Please contact us to obtain additional information, or to schedule a consultation.

Admissions/Waitlist Applications are accepted **online only**.

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A STEAM preschool learning academy that integrates The Creative Curriculum® for Preschool standards, aligned with Virginia's Foundation Blocks for Early Learning.

» Here at Excel Prep, we believe that utilizing the theories of development, creating an exploratory climate, and developing a safe and high-quality community will shape the future of our young scholars for kindergarten and beyond. Our Preschool Academy advances this process, and serves students 6 weeks to 5 years of age. At Excel Prep, you will notice our constant use of the term 'young scholar'; this signifies and reminds all stakeholders of the critical importance of a child's early development years.

At our core, we believe students learn best by doing. This belief has led us to implement *The Creative Curriculum® for Preschool*, which aligns with Virginia's Foundation Blocks for Early Learning Standards. Our robust academic environment is responsive to each young scholar's individual development and ensures that learning is a joyful and rewarding experience that maintains the integrity of each child's imagination and natural curiosity.

One of our primary focuses is the safety and health of our children, teachers, families and administrators. Excel Prep strictly adheres to the rules and regulations set forth by the Virginia Department of Social Services, AdvancEd Accreditation Standards, Alexandria Health Department, and Fire Code Administration.

We are committed to maintaining a strong relationship with our parents so that we can reinforce continuity between home and our Academy. Our goal is to ensure our young scholars develop a sense of security, belonging, and support in a loving and fun environment, while cultivating the unique specialness in each scholar. Our charge is to help them see their limitless potential, their capacity for growth, and the power they hold within themselves to achieve incredible things. Our school culture fosters learning experiences and studies that are relevant to their lives, which includes hands-on, comprehensive, content-driven curriculum.

If you are interested in direct involvement, we welcome your service as a member of the Excel Prep Academy Parent-Teacher-School Association (PTSA).

On behalf of the Board of Directors and the entire Excel Prep community, we welcome you to Excel Preparatory Preschool Academy. «

Sincerely,  
Helen D. Holmes, Head of Schools



## Our Philosophy AND Values

Excel Preparatory Preschool Academy (Excel Prep) believes accelerated academic standards and an exciting learning atmosphere propel young scholars to reach their fullest potential.

The vision of Excel Preparatory Preschool Academy is to facilitate a community where all young scholars develop to their fullest potential.

*Our values inform our thoughts, words and actions. Our values are important because they help us to grow and develop. They help us to create the future we want to experience.*

**The following attributes are the core values of Excel Preparatory Preschool Academy:**

**Quality Care:** When parents are looking for early learning and child development programs, they seek someone they can trust. We strive for continuous improvement, ensuring that we meet the needs of the children and families we serve.

**Positive, Safe & Exciting Climate:** We teach behaviors that lead to success. Our campus and Academy culture promote a sense of belonging, providing scholars with the tools to develop appropriate behavior, reinforcing acceptable behavior standards when they are not successful in this area.

**Academically Robust:** We constantly strive to create a learning environment where children are exposed to high-quality care in varying forms. Implementing a research and objective-based curriculum ensures school-readiness for all of our scholars. Our curriculum is appropriate for developmental growth, and fosters each scholar's unique needs.

**Innovation:** We challenge standard solutions constructively and review past performance for continuous improvement. We proactively create change that can lead to our ability to achieve greater success.

**Leadership:** We are all leaders in our area of responsibility, with a deep commitment to delivering exceptional results. We deliver our strategies by eliminating organizational barriers that prevent us from providing the highest quality of care and commitment to our team and families.

**Trust & Integrity:** Integrity is the foundational asset of a trustworthy organization, which promotes effective relationships and assures mindful stewardship of our resources.

**Community & Equity:** We believe that the quality of care we provide is measured by the quality of relationships we have with children, families, employees, school boards, financial supporters, and legislators. We are committed to ensuring these relationships are respectful; warm and caring; honest and open; fair and equitable.

Welcome  
to the **FUTURE**

» Director



Curator



Philanthropist «



Digital Designer «