PURPOSE OF THE PRESCHOOL

An overall goal of a preschool program is one that can be fulfilled through many types of experiences. Goals need to consider the variables of the particular school such as overall philosophy, type of children in the program, physical facilities, and finances. The daily activities of a preschool program should help achieve one or more of the overall program goals.

Some goals you may wish to consider are:

- 1. Help children develop a good self-image.
- 2. Help children understand the five senses.
- 3. Help children develop their personalities.
- 4. Help children grow intellectually.
- 5. Help children learn to express themselves.
- 6. Help children learn independence.
- 7. Help children learn socialization skills.
- 8. Provide children with experiences they may not have at home.
- 9. Provide hands-on experiences for the children whenever possible.
- 10. Build a healthy relationship between the preschool and the home.

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