# 2019 - 2020 THE RISE SCHOOL OF AUSTIN CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

## VIVIEWE EVENTY STUDENT SUITES SIX CORE FEATURES THAT DISTINGUISH US FROM THE REST

AN INCLUSION MODEL FOR DIVERSE LEARNERS
The best possible start for any child.

A DREAM TEAM OF EARLY CHILDHOOD EXPERTS Led by Master's level teacher in every classroom.

A RESEARCH-DRIVEN CURRICULUM High-performance learning, tailored to diverse abilities.

INTEGRATED AND ENRICHING THERAPIES
Fostering growth in each domain of a child's development.

AN INTENTIONALLY DESIGNED ENVIRONMENT Where preschool becomes state-of-the-art.

FAMILY & PARENTAL SUPPORT A loving and supportive community

### A Kesearçy-ariven Curriculum

High-performance learning, tailored to diverse abilities

Our research-based, comprehensive curriculum offers a whole-child approach to preschool, fostering students' intellectual abilities, language skills, social/emotional intelligence, and physical and cognitive development. The program is academically intensive, developmentally appropriate, and highly tailored to individual needs. High-performance learning is achieved through play-based, multisensory experiences that result in exceptional levels of engagement.

Faculty are trained in the Conscious Discipline® model for problem solving, which helps children understand their emotions and resolve conflict through cooperation. This proactive approach to discipline transforms classroom tantrums into teachable moments that allow preschoolers to gain a foundation of personal agency and accountability. Our students' increased capacities for self-awareness, patience, and the ability to maintain self-control contribute to the exceptional ambiance of order and calm that permeates our campus and are proven to have the same effect on home and family life.

Rise graduates are not only well-prepared academically for kindergarten and beyond with a strong foundation for success, they display the empathy and open-mindedness instilled in them since day one.







#### CREATIVE CURRICULUM

The Creative Curriculum is a comprehensive, research-based curriculum that features exploration and discovery as a way of learning, enabling children to develop confidence, creativity, and lifelong critical thinking skills. It is designed to help educators at all levels of experience plan and implement a developmentally appropriate, content-rich program for children with diverse backgrounds and skill levels.

#### Foundation Resources:

- The Foundation
- Interest Areas
- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Science and Technology, Social Studies, and the Arts
- Objectives for Learning and Development

### HANDWRITING WITHOUT TEARS READINESS & WRITING

#### Multisensory

Multisensory approach addresses different learning styles and invites active participation and purposeful discovery and play.

#### Simple

Activities break complex concepts into simple lessons that require minimal preparation time.

#### Developmentally Appropriate

Lessons are taught in a sequence that makes sense developmentally. There is no assumption of prior knowledge.

<u>Unique Pre-Writing Activities and Letter Order</u> Innovative letter order and pre-writing strategies are developmentally appropriate and promotes easy learning for every letter and every student.



## CREATIVE CURRICULUM DAILY RESOURCES | UNIT STUDIES

- Unit Study Guide
- Intentional Teaching Cards
- Children's Book Collection
- Mighty Minutes
- eBook Collection

The Creative Curriculum is a research-based, comprehensive collection of knowledge-building and daily practice resources that explains the "what," 'why," and 'how" of teaching. "What" and 'why" are explained in the six curriculum volumes that make up *The Foundation*. "How" is provided by way of step-by-step guidance found in the Daily Resources (listed above).

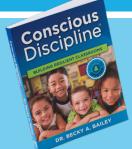
#### **ZOO-PHONICS**



The Zoo-Phonics Multisensory Language Arts Program is a kinesthetic, multi-modal approach to learning all aspects of language arts, including vocabulary development and articulation, based on phonics and phonemic awareness.

The principle of *Zoo-Phonics* maximizes understanding, memory, utilization and transference to all areas of the reading, spelling and writing process in a playful and concrete manner.

Zoo-Phonics is a method developed to make children strong readers and spellers using a "phono" (hearing), "oral" (speaking), "visual" (seeing), "kinesthetic" (moving), and tactile



#### CONSCIOUS DISCIPLINE

Conscious Discipline is a comprehensive, multidisciplinary self-regulation program that integrates social-emotional learning, school culture and discipline. It helps teachers and administrators build schools based on the internal resources of safety, connection and problem solving instead of external rewards and punishments. It is based on brain research that indicates our internal states dictate our behavior