FOUR YEAR OLD CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

Monthly concepts are introduced according to seasonal, Biblical and traditional themes and activities at MLPS. Themes are extended through developmentally appropriate learning centers and activities throughout the year. MLPS uses *Healthy Beginnings* and the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) *Supporting Every Young Learner* and focuses on all of the domains of learning, (the domains are listed below). These domains of learning are integrated daily through play, teacher-directed activities and child-directed activities. Biblical themes are an essential part of each day and are supplemented with daily prayers, songs and activities.

MONTH	SOCIAL FOUNDATIONS	PHYSICAL WELL-BEING AND MOTOR DEVELOPMENT	THE ARTS	SOCIAL STUDIES BIBLE THEMES	LANGUAGE AND LITERACY	MATHEMATICS	SCIENCE
Year round	The Social Foundations domain is a part of the daily curriculum. Children learn to play, socialize, take turns, resolve conflicts, learn self-control and demonstrate self-confidence.	The Physical Well-Being and Motor Development domain is a part of the daily curriculum. Children learn to move with balance and control through indoor and outdoor play. They learn to perform self- care tasks, develop proper pencil grips, and use eye /hand coordination through cutting, lacing and other activities.	The Arts domain is a part of the daily curriculum. Children explore and use a variety of materials to express ideas. Children participate in music, creative movement, dance and drama.	Fruits of the Spirit – love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control	Review letters and expand vocabulary Word Wall Scholastic Reading		Science A to Z
September				Love & Respect Special "Me" Family Roles and Friends Citizenship: Flag and Pledge God's Creation Adam and Eve	Review Letters A-C Recognizing and Writing Name Sharing	Basic Shapes Calendar Numbers Ordering/Size Color Counting Left/Right	Primary and Secondary Colors Fall Apples
October				Joy & Cooperation Careers – Fire & Police Safety at Home & School Noah Abraham and Sarah Jonah	Review Letters D-G Alphabet BINGO Listening Skills Experience Stories	Recognizing the Numbers 1 – 10 Classification Ten Frames Relationship between ones and tens	Changing Seasons Pumpkins Squirrels Field Trip

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November				Peace & Friendship Healthy Living Thanksgiving, Pilgrims & Native Americans Moses Joshua Samuel/Hannah	Review Letters H-J Rhyming Drama	Shapes Puzzles Sorting & Classifying by Attribute	Nutrition: My Healthy Plate Turkeys Food and Senses
December				Patience & Generosity Advent Christmas Happy Birthday Jesus Shepherds and Angels Nativity	Review Letters K, L Sequence	Sequencing Comparisons Counting Songs	Camels, Donkeys Manger Animals Making Cookies
January				Kindness & Acceptance New Year's Day Martin Luther King Winter Fun Jesus the Boy 12 Disciples Jesus Feeds 5,000	Review Letters M-P Winter Stories Nursery Rhymes Favorite Book Fridays	Patterns Numbers 1 – 20 Opposites Maps & Globes	Dinosaurs Snow and Ice Bears Hibernation Penguins
February				Goodness & Honesty Valentine's Day Presidents Jesus Loves Me Jesus' Miracles	Review Letters Q-S Dentist Visit	Valentine Graph Estimate/Guess Ordering Pennies/Quarters	Rockets Dental Hygiene Groundhog Day
March				Faithfulness & Perseverance Dr. Seuss St. Patrick's Day Prayer Parables Farm Animals	Review Letters T-W Parts of a Story Retelling a Story Parts of a Book	Length & Weight Using Scales Lion and Lamb Calendar and Graph Maps & Globes	Trains Lion & Lamb Days Kites/Wind Rainbows Spring -- New Life
April				Gentleness & Compassion Earth Day Palm Sunday Easter Spring Field Trip	Review Letters X-Z	Spatial Concepts Dozen	Planting Seeds Taking Care of Planet Earth Recycle/Conserve Pastel Colors
May				Self-Control & Responsibility Jesus Loves the Little Children	Alphabet Review All About Mom Mothers' Day Tea	Numbers Review	Caterpillars Butterflies Ocean Life