

Kindergarten at a glance



Our Goal in Kindergarten: Spark a passion for learning

P.S. 282 works to spark a lifetime love of learning in every child by combining the best evidence-based curriculum with project-based experiential learning. Each day our kids have Art, Music, or Science classes that encourage them to have fun and explore the world.

An example of project-based learning for math might have each child develop their own visual representation to mark the 100th day of school — a t-shirt with 100 buttons in five groups of twenty, or a collage of 100 stickers in groups of 10. For literacy, the renowned Teachers College Reading & Writing Project creates lifelong readers. Each child is given a selection of fun books on their level for nightly reading. We combine progressive techniques like these with a standards-guided curriculum to ensure kids leave each grade ready for the next.

Our economically and racially diverse community fosters strong friendships and the ability to collaborate with people from all

walks of life. Our curious, motivated graduates go on to some of NYC’s best upper schools.

Class Size

The average class size in K is 20, growing to an average of 23 for 1st-5th grades. Our caring teachers keep social-emotional development on the agenda and use “differentiated instruction” — grouping kids of similar ability so each student can learn at their own pace.

Enrichments / Specials

Every day children will have one or more of the following with a specialized teacher: Spanish, our Green Zone learning garden, Art, Rhythmic Movement, and Phonics.

Lunch, Recess & Movement

Children have fifty minutes every day for lunch and recess outside, weather permitting. Every class has gym each week with activities ranging from sports to dance and yoga. Children also have Rhythmic Movement class once a week.

After School

282 has several after-school programs that run up to 6 p.m. Program offerings include Tiny Scientists, Imani House, Kid’s Orbit, and more. Low- and no-cost programs are available.

Typical Day

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| 1. Greeting & Calendar | 5. Math |
| 2. Reading Groups | 6. Science or IIM |
| 3. Specials (e.g. Music) | 7. Social Studies /Writing |
| 4. Lunch/Recess | 8. Centers (Pick your own) |