



What is Young 5's at Red Bell

Young 5's is a 5 day a week program which runs from 8:45am -1:30pm. We offer before care and after care until 6pm. Students in Kindergarten are expected to learn to read, perform basic math functions, master handwriting, listen attentively for long periods of time and function with ever increasing levels of expectations. Our Young 5's program is designed to prepare your child for Kindergarten.

Our low teacher to student ratio ensures that children will receive individualized one on one attention. Curriculum for our Young 5's program has been developed from the Michigan Department of Education standards to ensure a successful transition into Kindergarten. Our program uses developmentally appropriate, hands-on learning centers to build enthusiasm for school and confidence to solve problems while interacting with peers. Through interactive teaching experiences and active discovery, children participate in Language and Literacy, Social Studies, Social/Emotional Development, Gross/Fine Motor Development, Mathematics, Science, Technology, and Art. In our classroom your child will learn the 25 Pre-Primer sight words, letter sounds, continue their handwriting development with our Handwriting without Tears curriculum, learn early math skills through our Every Day Math curriculum, participate in science experiments, and keep a journal. These are just some of the ways we help foster success in Kindergarten and beyond!

Our son attended the Young 5's program at Red Bell and loved every minute! All the staff here are caring and educated. He was cared for and nurtured throughout his day and never wanted to go at pick up time. We found the educational portion of his day to be a balanced approach of play and exploration. He was challenged in developmentally appropriate ways and continues to surprise us with knowledge he has gained from the teachers and curriculum there. This young 5's program gave him the perfect start to his academic career and we couldn't be happier with the experience. As teachers ourselves, we were looking for an educationally strong environment and we found that in Red Bell.

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