

## **Philosophy**

The philosophy at Stavness Early Learning Preschool is the following listed statements the director and staff believe in and feel very strongly about. Our mission and philosophy have been developed from our educational backgrounds and knowledge, evidence-based practice, developmentally appropriate practice, personal experience and wisdom gained from well-respected mentors:

- Every child is teachable and capable of personal growth
- Children learn best with a child-centered approach when the child initiates the learning and the teacher guides them as necessary
- Children learn best when you present them with an environment and experience that engages multiple senses leading to self-discovery, and exploration
- Children benefit from collaborative learning where they are interacting with others, critically thinking, and problem solving with their peers in a natural environment
- Creating a natural environment where a child can choose to have responsibility helps build community, confidence, autonomy and teamwork skills which are necessary to thrive in one's community
- Your child's early childhood education staff are partners with your family in helping your little one to thrive and experience optimal growth
- Children respond best when they are cared for and led by a nurturing, supportive and warm staff/team
- Curriculum should consider each individual's as well as the learning group's needs, cultural
  differences and backgrounds, social-emotional, physical, and cognitive development

## **Program Goals**

Our goal as a facility is to help your child to grow both academically and more importantly character wise. We give a lot of energy, heart, and planning to invest in our student's personal growth, and hope the result is that one day our students will give back and contribute to their community and family, ultimately changing the world and making it a little more kind and courageous, one household and community at a time!