LEARNING GOALS
The mission of PATH is to encourage the spiritual, intellectual, physical, and social development of each child through a developmental, Christ-centered program. Each child is seen as a unique and special gift, with potential for growth and development in all areas.

It is our goal that each child fall in love with learning and going to school! We hope to foster a love of reading in our preschool students as well as increase their reading abilities.
Literacy Focus:
- Understand that print carries a message and the concept of print (read left to right, sentences begin with a capital letter, punctuation at the end of a sentence, etc.)
- Engage in reading and writing attempts
- Identify signs and labels in the classroom environment
- Participate in rhyming games
- Identify letters and make some letter sound matches
- Use known letter or approximations of letters to represent written language (National Association for the Education of Young Children)

2 Year Old Goals:
- Sing alphabet song
- Count to 10
- Recognize and identify numbers 1-5
- Recognize and identify basic colors (blue, green, yellow, orange, red, and purple)
- Recognize and identify basic shapes (circle, square, triangle, and rectangle)
- Hold Scissors
- Recognize name
- Introduce letters of the alphabet
- Identify first letter of name

3 Year Old Goals:
- Recognize and identify letters of the alphabet
- Practice writing each letter of the alphabet
- Count to 20
- Recognize and identify numbers 1-10
- Recognize and identify shapes (circle, triangle, square, rectangle, oval, diamond, star)
- Recognize some letter sounds
  Practice writing each letter of the alphabet
- Practice writing numbers 1-10
- Hold pencil correctly while doing name and letter exercises
- Recognize and identify colors (red, orange, yellow, blue, green purple, white, black, brown, gray, & pink
- Hold scissors correctly and cut along a straight line
- Identify and continue simple patterns
- Recognize, identify, and write first name independently
4 Year Old Goals:
• Identify capital and lower case letters
• Identify letter sounds
• Count to 50
• Recognize, identify, and write numbers 1-20
• Have a sight word vocabulary of 15-20 words
• Recognize and write first and last name (with upper and lower case letters)
• Identify and create at least 3 simple patterns
• Identify rhyming words
• Identify opposites
• Hold scissors correctly while cutting straight and zig zag lines
• Introduce beginning addition and subtraction

5 Year Old Goals:
• Recognize, identify, and write capital and lower case letters
• Identify letter sounds
• Name a word beginning with each letter of the alphabet
• Correctly match capital and lower case letters
• Count to 100
• Recognize, identify, and write numbers to 50
• Have a sight word vocabulary of 20-30 words
• Identify, extend, and create patterns
• Independently journal and write simple sentences
• Hold scissors correctly and cut efficiently
• Memorize address and phone number
• Introduce beginning addition and subtraction

Please keep in mind that these goals are basic guidelines to help each child reach his or her potential.