

Dear parents,

Welcome to Lac Hong's Preschool Program! Lac Hong staff has put together a fun program to accommodate the increasing demand of an introduction class for students 5 years old and older. A language program for kids at such young age has been highly recommended by linguistics and educators. Researches have proclaimed that " we are most receptive to language acquisition between the ages of 1 and 8" ⁽¹⁾ Early learning benefits a great deal to our small children, whether it'd be a language or music class. Please find the followings Lac Hong's objectives and goals for the Preschool Program.

Overview and objectives:

This class is designed to teach Vietnamese to children between the ages of 5 and 6. Our goals are to get the children frequent the use of Vietnamese in the classroom and at home, learn the alphabets, understand the different functions of Vietnamese tone marks, count in Vietnamese, build up Vietnamese vocabulary, and be aware of the daily activities in the family and the surrounding environment. As a part of Vietnamese culture, the children will also learn to be courteous and polite to the elders. The instructors will emphasize on the obedience of rules and regulations, which would conduct the safety to our children.

The program outline:

1) Reading-

Practice reading out loud the alphabets and tone marks.
Learn how to count from 1 to 100 by the end of the school year.
Put the letters together to make sight words and easy- to- remember- words. (Ráp vắn process)

2) Speaking-

Learn how to speak Vietnamese via children music and by memorizing short sentences.
Build up vocabulary words that are familiar and used in the daily life.

3) Writing-

Practice writing by first tracing the letters and gradually writing on their own.

4) Moral values-

**Learn to be courteous and polite with the elders.
Learn the proper behavior towards parents and other family members.
Follow the school rules and regulations to ensure everyone's safety.**

5) Coloring-

Acquire and improve motor skills.

6) Story time-

**Attain listening skill and speaking ability through stories.
Enhance one's imagination and develop creativity skill.**

7) Games-

Have fun and learn at the same time through games like Memory game, Mix-up bag, Puzzle, etc. These games will enhance the students' cognitive learning and memory skill.

We, at the Lac Hong Vietnamese School, are very happy to have your children in our program. If you have any questions concerning this class, please feel free to contact Mr. Tri Than, the school principal, or the class instructors.

Regards,

Lac Hong Staff of the Preschool Program

(1)Carlsbad Recreation Department on children and second language.