



Move-Up Milestones



Especially in the early years, children will develop at their own pace, and we want to care well for them by acknowledging this. They will best be able to receive the love of the classroom when they can engage. With this in mind, here are the ideal developmental milestones for move-up from one classroom to the next:

Developmental Milestones for Move-Up:

Nursery to the 2-3yr old classroom:

- Loss of interest in nursery toys
- Ability to cognitively understand and follow simple directions (even if they don't follow them every time. They understand what is being asked and are able to do it)
 - Ex: sit down, stand up
- Ability to transition from one activity to another
- Able to walk

2-3yrs to 4-5yr old classroom (includes kindergarten):

- Potty trained- able to communicate need and use the bathroom independently including washing hands
- Able to follow directions, including simple multi-step directions
- Able to communicate needs ie water bathroom

4-5yr olds to Treasure Seekers:

- Ability to read
- Moving into 1st grade or above in school

These are developmental Milestones that will allow the child to engage in the classroom setting and benefit most from the loving environment incorporated there.

Each child is uniquely created by God (Psalm 139:13). These move-up milestones are guidelines. We very much value the parent's role as the primary faith nurturer and welcome conversation so we can work together on when your child is ready to move up. It is a privilege to partner with you!

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