



Top 10 Reasons to Choose Van Riper Ellis Christian School

1. VRECS has a **Low Student Teacher Ratio** with **Certified Experienced Teachers** and a **High Staff Retention Rate**.
2. VRECS is a **NJ Licensed Preschool** that follows Preschool Standards and Learning Strategies as well as the **Award-Winning Research-Based Creative Curriculum** which aligns with the Common Core State Standards.
3. VRECS integrates **STEAM learning** (science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics) into stimulating, fun-filled experiences our students.
4. Parents and educators alike have trusted VRECS for over 15 years to effectively **prepare their children for Kindergarten**.
5. VRECS teaches **Christian Education** which is touched upon in every facet of our day and fosters **Character Development** including but not limited to integrity, honesty, loyalty, respectfulness, responsibility, compassion, fairness, forgiveness, generosity and kindness.
6. VRECS offers a **Multi-sensory Approach** to learning that meets all types of learning styles in a small group setting.
7. VRECS fosters **Open Communication** between parents and staff and creates a **Nurturing Environment** where students thrive.
8. VRECS has **Three Separate Outdoor Play Areas** and an **Extra Large Indoor Play Space** which allows our students to develop both gross and fine motor skills as well as enjoying active play.
9. To support parents, VRECS offers **Before Care starting at 7:00am** and **After Care until 6:30pm** with a variety of drop off and pick up options.
10. VRECS has a **Transitional Kindergarten** (depending on enrollment) that builds development and academic readiness. It is intended for children who miss the Kindergarten cut-off date or parents who feel their child needs an additional year before Kindergarten. Our Transitional Kindergarten is taught by a **Certified Teacher**.