



Paxton Campus
**Open Door
Learning Center**

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Developmental Assessments

During the process of your child's enrollment application, an assessment of your child will be conducted to determine the best placement for your child. This assessment provides a measureable baseline of your child's language and other developmental skills. Throughout your child's enrollment, additional assessments will be conducted to evaluate your child's progress and determine if developmental milestones are being met. The results of assessments are reported as part of your child's developmental progress reports.

ODLC staff assesses children by using Dr. Mark Sundberg's VB-MAPP (Verbal Behavior – Milestone Assessment and Placement Program). The VB-MAPP is based on B.F. Skinner's analysis of verbal behavior, typical language development milestones, and field-test data from typically developing children as well as from children with autism. The VB-MAPP skills assessment contains 165 verbal behavior milestones balanced across three developmental levels (0-18 months, 18-30 months, and 30-48 months) and 16 different skill areas (Sundberg, VB-MAPP, 2007).

Open Door prepares written developmental progress reports on a quarterly basis. These reports will allow you to stay up-to-date on your child's accomplishments and development. On a quarterly basis, you are also invited to meet individually with your child's teachers to discuss progress and future goals. The Program Director and your child's teachers are also available to discuss your child's progress at any time.

Our preschool program prepares children for kindergarten in many ways. Our teachers individually assess each student in the following areas:

- Verbal Behavior/Communication
- Thinking and Problem Solving Skills
- Emotional Intelligence
- Activities of Daily Living/Self-Management
- Pre-Reading and Basic Math Concepts
- Handwriting
- Social Skills
- Fine and Gross Motor Development

Paxton Campus...

*...supports families and maximizes the potential of children of all abilities so that they may **thrive** in the community.*



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