

Getting Ready for Kindergarten

Preparing for the world of kindergarten is a wonderful opportunity for parents and children to work together. Mastering the following achievements will help students get off on the right foot with confidence from the first day.

Verbal Skills

- Can express and describe feelings
- Use complete sentences
- Can be understood without context clues

Listening Skills

- Responds to first and last name
- Listen and follows directions
- Practice multi-step directions

Reading Readiness

- Listens well to read-aloud stories
- Identify letters
- Recites the alphabet

Fine Motor Skills

- Grasps crayon and pencil correctly
- Using scissors
- Using zippers
- Button shirts and pants
- Putting papers into folders
- Drinking from fountain

Math

- Identify numbers
- Count to ten
- Demonstrates understanding of directional concepts (up/down, over/under)

Health and Wellness

- Uses the bathroom and washes up independently
- Wash with appropriate amount of soap
- Blowing nose
- Sneezing and coughing into elbow

Interaction with Others

- Respects personal space
- Respects items belonging to others
- Shares appropriately
- Takes turns

Gross Motor Skills

- Runs and jumps
- Pack and unpack backpack
- Climb stairs
- Dress self, including shoes and coat