

Getting Ready for Kindergarten

These are must haves

- Shows respect for others: listens, shares, uses kind words, has good manners, plays appropriately with others.
- Demonstrates oral language skills: answers questions, speaks loudly enough to be heard, seeks out help when needed
- Consistently follows directions with a positive attitude
- Demonstrates self-control in words and actions: waits in line, keeps hands and feet to self, waits for his/her turn to speak
- Demonstrates independence: uses the restroom independently, feeds oneself, cleans up after oneself, carries his/her own things
- Can write his/her name using a capital letter at the beginning and lowercase letters for the remaining letters
- Can hold a pencil correctly
- Knows the names of upper and lower case letters
- Knows at least half of the letter sounds
- Can identify, count and write numbers up to 10
- Can write most upper and lowercase letters and use the correct stroke order when writing letters and numbers.
- Can write first name
- Can identify colors and basic shapes (square, circle, triangle, hexagon, rectangle)
- Can color reasonably within the lines
- Knows how to use a scissor
- Has experience with simple addition and subtraction concepts
- Knows how to extend basic patterns: AB, ABC, AABB
- Has experience with rhyming words

These will make your kindergarten teacher happy

- Knows the sounds of all of the letters.
- Can orally count up to 20
- Can write the numbers 11-20
- Can solve simple addition problems with sums up to 5.
- Can solve simple subtraction problems with the minuend being 5 or less.
- Can identify rhyming words

For those who are ready for more

- Can write first and last name with upper and lowercase letters
- Can orally count up to 50 or 100
- Can write numbers 20-50
- Can read simple CVC words