

# You're on your way to Kindergarten!

The transition to kindergarten is a major milestone for your child! The attitude towards school and learning that your child carries with them for life is often determined by this very first experience with school. A smooth transition to kindergarten can help make sure your child is successful in school!

The information below is designed to help you prepare your child for their school experience.

## You bet, I'm ready for Kindergarten!

### Personal Needs Without Help

Can they...

- Put on and take off coat
- Tie their own shoes
- Wash their hands
- Snap, button, zip, and buckle

### Intellectual Skills

Do they...

- Sit and listen to a story
- Hold a book upright and turn the pages
- Know their first AND last name
- Know colors, shapes, and sizes
- Count 0-10

### Social Skills

Can they...

- Listen to an adult & follow simple instructions
- Cooperate with other children
- Sit for short periods of time
- Follow simple two-step directions

### Intellectual Skills Cont.

Do they...

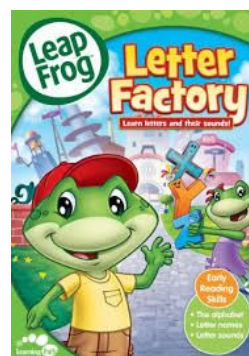
- Say their ABC's
- Hold scissors and a pencil appropriately
- Recognize and write their first name using correct capital and lowercase letters
- Recognize all the letters in their name

Other ways to help with a smooth transition into Kindergarten: provide opportunities to play with other children, teach your child socially acceptable ways to disagree, encourage social values such as helpfulness, cooperation, sharing, and concern for others.

## ● Additional Resources ●



Starfall.com has several free educational videos and games for teaching children the letters of the alphabet, and more!



The LeapFrog Letter factory videos are free on Netflix. They are a fun and engaging way of teaching letters, numbers, and more!