# READINESS GAZETTE

Steinhatchee School, Steinhatchee, FL



## News You can Use

Math is all around us and even little people use Math skills every single day. Basic Math skills that your child should know BEFORE coming to Kindergarten include: knowing basic shapes & colors, comparing size, length weight, and how many?, counting out loud to 20, matching objects to numbers, and know where things are around them (behind, over, in front of, beside, etc.). Math is another one of those areas that you can get your child ready just by talking to them. When you're outside, playing in the yard, you can talk about how many sticks you pick up and then you can sort them by length. When you're inside, you can have your child help sort forks and spoons, and then set the table with the correct number of items for each family member. If you're working on laundry, you can have your child sort items by color. There are so many ways to include Math in our daily lives and we encourage you to talk with your children about the things around them. We are READY to welcome your family to our school. Our teachers are prepared and ready to offer the safest, most engaging, appropriate instruction for your little one. Thank you for sharing them with us. We can't wait to watch them grow and learn.



#### Did you know?

1 in 4 working adults lack basic math skills? This makes learning basic Math skills a priority NOW. Students ability to work with numbers and ideas now has a HUGE impact on their math skills in older grades. It is the single highest predictor of math success as we learn and grow.

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## Just a few Reminders

Math is all around us and you can work with your child NOW with just talking to them as they play or help out around the house. There are some ideas below.

Have students put the ball under the chair, beside the chair, over the chair, etc. This can be done with ANY household object or toy.

Get your kids to help with laundry NOW. Have them sort the socks and help fold them. This is a great Math and fine motor skill, all at the same time while helping out around the house.

Enjoying a snack? Have your child count the pieces of goldfish, gummies, etc. Sort them into piles by color. Which pile has more? Less? Which one is your favorite?

In the car, play the number game. I spy with my little eye the number 19 (on the roads going to Tallahassee). You can also play it where you find numbers on signs in order (starting with 0 and ending at 20.)

### Quotable Quotes

"Math is not a spectator sport. It is not a body of knowledge; it's not symbols on a page. It's something you play with, something you do." - Keith Devlin

## Student Conduct Pledge

- ❖ I am responsible for my own behavior.
- ❖ I will follow our school rules.
- ❖ I will treat others as I wish to be treated.