

Operation Readiness Kindergarten

Children starting Kindergarten with the following skills are ready for a successful start to their K-12 education

Language and Literacy targets

- *Enjoys being read to and can retell a story
- *Recognizes and names 12-15 letters and sounds
- *Repeats beginning and ending sounds in words
- * Speaks in complete sentences
- * Identify and name 12-15 upper and lowercase letters including those in first name
- *Say the sounds of 12-15 letters including those in first name
- *Be read to 20 minutes per day
- * Be able to retell a story with a beginning, middle and end
- * Be able to identify high frequency words and other common vocabulary
- *Know concepts of print
- *Knows and can say or sing common nursery rhymes and songs

Math and Reasoning targets

- * Counts in order from 1-20
- * Recognizes numbers and quantities to 10
- * Names and sorts items by color, shape and size
- * Understands concepts such as greater than, less than, and equal to
- * Counts objects to 20
- * Matches and names 6 shapes (square, circle, rectangle, heart, star)
- * Knows basic colors

Writing targets

- * Can write first name
- * Uses correct pencil grip
- * Can write 12-15 letters including those in his or her name
- * Mostly colors in the lines
- * Uses scissors correctly
- * Writes 12-15 letters including those in his or her name
- * Can write numbers 1-10

Social and Emotional

- * Settles in to new groups and situations
- * Can concentrate on a task for 5 minutes
- * Follows simple directions
- * Shows kindness and concern for others
- * Focuses on a task for at least 5 minutes even when there are distractions
- * Can play a simple game and understands taking turns and being a "good sport"