



School Readiness Goals

Skills that children need to succeed in kindergarten:

Social and emotional

1.	Expresses feelings appropriate to the situation
2.	Knows own preferences and abilities
3.	Can suggest simple solutions to conflict
4.	Can follow rules and routines

Language

5.	Recognizes 10 upper case and 10 lower case letters
6.	Recognizes name or other words in print
7.	Makes beginning sounds in short words
8.	Matches 6-10 letters with their sounds
9.	Remember s details from stories
10.	Uses cover and pictures to talk about a book
11.	Writes own name, with most letters correct
12.	Plans and tells, draws, or writes a story
13.	Speaks in understandable sentences.
14.	Responds appropriately to direct ions and quest ions
15.	Talks with familiar adults and peers
16.	Uses few grammatical errors in conversation

Math and science

17.	Counts to 20
18.	Knows written numbers from 1 to 10
19.	Understands simple addition and subtract ion
20.	Names squares, circles, triangles and rectangles
21.	Describes the position or order of objects (first, next to)
22.	Compare two objects (bigger, taller, heavier)
23.	Sorts, counts and compares quantities

Approaches to learning

24.	Shows interest in new experiences
25.	Acts out familiar scenarios, gives out and/or takes on roles
26.	Persists in chosen activities, even when they get hard
27.	Breaks tasks into steps and does them one at a time
28.	Tries to solve problems indifferent ways, gets needed help

Physical development

29.	Manipulates small objects
30.	Moves whole body with confidence



These 30 school readiness goals are based on the PA Office of Child Development and Early Learning (OCDEL) Kindergarten Entry Inventory