

Kindergarten Registration Information

All parents/legal guardians of children who will be five years of age on or before September 1 are encouraged to register their children for kindergarten.

Early registration begins as early as March 1 for some schools. Check with your local school district for your kindergarten registration information.

In most cases, the parent/legal guardian will need to bring the following for kindergarten registration:

- Child's official birth certificate (with raised seal)
- Proof of residency (required for all registrants) - copy of signed mortgage, contract to build or lease agreement showing the owner/resident's name and address or utility bills which have the name and address of the resident

All students entering kindergarten must provide documentation of a current physical examination, including eye exam and dental exam, PRIOR to starting school. Incoming students are also required to submit a current KY Immunization Certificate.

It is recommended that you make your child's appointments for a kindergarten physical, eye and dental exam by April or even earlier! Students who do not have physical and dental exams by the first day of school may not be allowed to attend school.

Books to read about the first day of school

- Wemberly Worried by Kevin Henkes
- The Kissing Hand by Audrey Penn
- First Day Jitters by Julie Danneberg
- My Name Is Yoon by Helen Recorvits
- Chrysanthemum by Kevin Henkes
- School's First Day of School by Adam Rex
- David Goes to School by David Shannon
- A Bad Case of Stripes by David Shannon



Kindergarten Readiness Checklist

Good Health and Physical Well-Being – My child:

- Eats a balanced diet
- Gets plenty of rest
- Receives regular medical and dental care
- Has had all the necessary immunizations
- Runs, jumps, plays outdoors and does other activities that provide exercise and help develop large muscles
- Scribbles, colors, paints and does other activities that help develop small muscles

Social and Emotional Preparation – My child:

- Is learning to explore and try new things
- Is learning to work well alone and to do many tasks independently
- Has many opportunities to be with other children and is learning to cooperate with them
- Is curious and motivated to learn
- Is learning to finish tasks
- Is learning to use self-control
- Can follow simple instructions
- Helps with family chores
- Is learning to use words to identify and express emotions

Language and General Knowledge – My child:

- Has many opportunities to talk and listen
- Is read to every day
- Has access to books and other reading materials
- Is learning about print and books
- Has television viewing monitored by an adult
- Is encouraged to ask questions
- Is encouraged to solve problems
- Has opportunities to notice similarities and differences
- Is encouraged to sort and classify things
- Is learning to write his/her name and address
- Is learning to count and plays counting games
- Is learning to identify and name shapes and colors
- Has opportunities to draw and to be creative
- Has opportunities to listen to and make music and to dance
- Has opportunities to get first-hand experiences and to do things in the world - to see and touch objects, hear new sounds, smell and taste foods

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