



Northwestern Elementary School

Kindergarten Readiness Skills

Kindergarten is an exciting time of exploration. As the year progresses, kindergarteners will be expected to complete assignments with less outside help, accept more responsibilities, and follow rules more closely. General goals to focus on are building strong pre-reading skills, practicing letter formation, enhancing listening and communication skills, getting an introduction to basic math concepts, and acquiring an active interest in the world. Help support your child's educational growth at home with these kindergarten readiness skills.

Language Arts:

- Identifying colors
- Recognizing uppercase and lowercase letters
- Writes first and/or last name
- Identifying letter sounds
- Identifying parts of a book (front cover, back cover, title, etc.)
- Identifying the role of the author and illustrator

Math:

- Identifying shapes
- Counting objects in a set (i.e., touching each object once)
- Identifying numbers 0-10
- Counting to 20 by one's