



What do kids learn in kindergarten?

Daily activities provide an age-appropriate program which challenges children to grow emotionally, socially, and academically. We provide thoughtful experiences for students that meet the Common Core State Standards.

Social Skills

- Self-reliance and independence
- Cooperation in groups
- Following directions promptly

English Language Arts Development

- Listening and speaking skills
- Beginning writing skills
- Emergent reading skills

Math Skills

- Learning about numbers and their meanings
- Learning about basic shapes
- Counting objects and writing numerals
- Measuring, ordering, and comparing objects

Other subject areas include Social Studies, Science, Physical Education, Music, and Art.

Our Schools

The Corvallis School District includes seven elementary neighborhood boundary schools and one K-8 school of choice. Our highly qualified and caring staff work in partnership with families to provide a safe and welcoming school experience.

Adams Elementary	541-757-5938
Garfield Elementary	541-757-5941
Hoover Elementary	541-757-5958
Jefferson Elementary	541-757-5951
Lincoln Elementary	541-757-5955
Mt. View Elementary	541-766-4760
Wilson Elementary	541-757-5987
Franklin K-8	541-757-5747

For more information about our school district, school boundary areas, and resources for kindergarten parents, please call your neighborhood school or visit us on the web.

www.csd509j.net

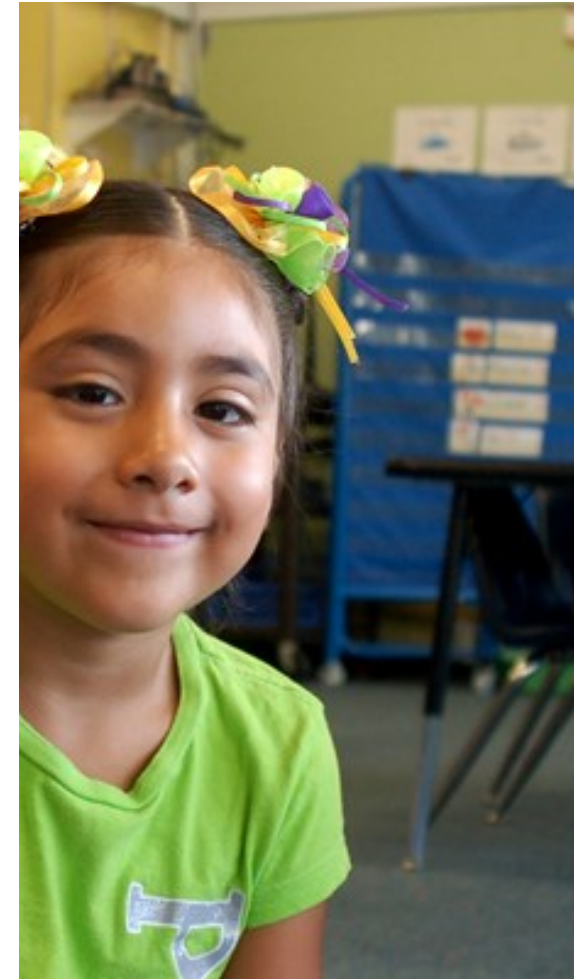
Additional resources

Common Core State Standards
www.corestandards.org

Successful Parenting
www.parentingsuccessnetwork.org

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You are your child's first teacher and there are many things you can do to give your child a successful start to kindergarten.

Most children entering kindergarten can perform the tasks listed in this pamphlet at least sometimes. Your child's development may be a little faster or a little slower in certain areas. Have patience, trust your judgment, and don't be overly critical. If you spend time with your child and have fun, the rest will follow.

Social and Emotional Skills

Most entering kindergartners can:

- Follow routines.
- Play cooperatively with others.
- Try new activities willingly.
- Wait patiently for a turn or to speak.
- Pay attention to a story or activity for ten minutes.
- Take care of personal needs such as toileting, hand washing, and dressing themselves.

Try this!

Give your child opportunities to play with others.

Explain consequences of good and poor choices.

Play games that require taking turns and paying attention.

General Knowledge & Motor Skills

Most entering kindergartners can:

- Cut paper with blunt scissors.
- Hold a pencil correctly.
- Identify body parts, such as head and toes.
- Draw straight and curved lines.
- Copy letters and shapes, such as a circle.
- Know basic colors.

Try this!

Give many opportunities for your child to draw and print using markers, crayons, and pencils.

Provide activities that build skills for small muscles in the hands, such as cutting out shapes, stringing beads, and pouring glue.

Language and Reading

Most entering kindergartners can:

- Say their name.
- Identify labels and signs, such as a STOP sign.
- Know some letters and make letter-sound matches.
- Enjoy listening to and talking about story books.
- "Read" familiar books by memory using picture clues.
- Understand reading left to right, top to bottom.

Try this!

Read aloud to your child daily. Visit the library.

Choose books and activities that are fun for both of you.

Give your child opportunities to write and draw.

Play listening games with verbal cues and directions (I Spy...).

Math Skills

Most entering kindergartners can:

- Touch and count objects to 5.
- Count to 10.
- Sort items and group objects.
- Recognize basic patterns.

Try this!

Point out different shapes in your house, in a store, and as you travel (a price tag is a rectangle, the traffic light has circles).

Encourage counting objects around your house or in your car (count how many items are in your snack).