

You're On Your Way To K!

Holbrook Elementary

The transition to kindergarten is respected as a major milestone not only for the child, but for his or her family as well. The attitude towards school and learning that the child carries with them for life is often determined by this very first experience with school. A smooth transition to kindergarten can help make sure your child is successful in school.

The information provided below is designed to help you prepare your children for their school experience.

You bet, I'm ready for K!

Personal Needs Without Help - can they...

- Put on and take off coat
- Tie their own shoes
- Wash their hands
- Snap, button, zip, & buckle

Intellectual Skills - do your children...

- Sit & listen to a story
- Hold a book upright and turn the pages
- Know their first and last name
- Tell and retell familiar stories
- Know colors, shapes, & sizes
- Count 0-10

Social Skills - can they...

- Listen to an adult & follow simple instructions
- Cooperate with other children
- Sit for short periods of time
- Follow simple two-step directions

Intellectual Skills [continued]

- Say the ABCs
- Hold scissors & pencil appropriately
- Recognize & write first name
- Recognize the letters written within their name

To help with a smooth transition to kindergarten you can follow these additional ideas:

- ★ Provide opportunities to play with other children
- ★ Teach your child socially acceptable ways to disagree
- ★ Encourage social values such as helpfulness, cooperation, sharing, & concern for others