

Why Kindergarten Matters

Kindergarten is a critical year in a child's education and development. The building blocks of core subjects such as reading, writing, and math, in addition to basic social, emotional, and motor skills are all introduced in kindergarten.



Brain Development

At ages five and six, children are at a crucial stage in brain development.

This development moves from:

- Self to others
- Known to unknown
- Whole to part
- Concrete to abstract
- Exploratory to goal directed
- Simple to complex

Valuable Experiences

Kindergarten provides children with the kinds of experiences they need to support this brain development, such as:



Practice early reading, writing, and math skills.



Explore early science and social studies concepts.



Use hands-on activities to build motor skills.



Whole group and small group instruction.



Positive Environment

Kindergarten supports a students' learning with experiences they need to make large intellectual leaps; such as:

A safe and nurturing environment

Time for physical activity

Increased confidence & self-reliance



Access to nutritional meals

Social and communication skills

Learning about different cultures



Attendance Matters

Consistent attendance is key in helping kindergartners be successful because it:

- Correlates to higher achievement and reading success in later grades.
- Prevents learning gaps.
- Helps students with routines and structure.

Kindergarten provides a fun and engaging environment that helps children develop a love of learning. Give your child the foundation they need to succeed in future academic pursuits by enrolling them in Kindergarten.



To learn more about how you can support your child with their kindergarten experience, check out this amazing parent resource: [Ready, Set, Go!](#)