

## Kindergarten Readiness Checklist

- ✓ Recognizes own name.
- ✓ Able to write first name correctly (correct spelling, first letter uppercase, rest of the letters lowercase).
- ✓ Holds a pencil or crayon correctly.
- ✓ Able to sing ABC's.
- ✓ Recognize & name some upper & lowercase letters.
- ✓ Able to make the sound of some upper & lowercase letters.
- ✓ Able to correctly form & write some upper & lowercase letters.
- ✓ Counts orally 20.
- ✓ Count 1-10 given objects, by pointing to & touching each object.
- ✓ Recognize & name numbers 0-10.
- ✓ Able to correctly form & write some numbers 0-10.
- ✓ Identify some shapes.
- ✓ Identify simple patterns.
- ✓ Identify basic colors.
- ✓ Able to draw simple pictures and basic shapes (circle & square).
- ✓ Able to color neatly (not scribble).
- ✓ Able to use scissors correctly and can cut in a straight line.
- ✓ Able to sit while listening to a short story (about 5 minutes).
- ✓ Sort items.
- ✓ Place 2-3 pictures, in order, to tell a story.
- ✓ Use comparative words (Example: big, small, tall, short, etc.).

- ✓ Recognizes simple rhyming words (Example: cat—bat, dog—log) in familiar stories, songs, or nursery rhymes.
- ✓ Able to clap out syllables in 1-3 syllable words.
- ✓ Able to correctly hold a book and turn pages. Know the difference between pictures & print (words) in a story.
- ✓ Able to read a simple story by reading the pictures or reading some words.
- ✓ Follow 2-3 step instructions (Example: Put your coat on, zip it up, and stand in line).
- ✓ Social skills such as waiting your turn, raising your hand, saying please & thank you, respecting personal space, etc.
- ✓ Able to use bathroom without any assistance.
- ✓ Able to blow nose independently.
- ✓ Able to wash hands independently with soap & water.
- ✓ Button & zipper pants without assistance.
- ✓ Able to put coat on and zip it up without assistance.
- ✓ Able to put on shoes without assistance. If unable to tie shoes, Velcro closure shoes are required.
- ✓ Able to open most food packages (cracker packets, yogurt, condiment cups, etc.).