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K5 Readiness Checklist

IS MY CHILD READY FOR KINDERGARTEN?

Children ready to enter kindergarten demonstrate a basic level of emotional, social, physical, and cognitive strengths. Such development comes through well-rounded play and purposeful interaction with the people and world around them.

Below is a list of skills and traits that demonstrate a child is ready for formal learning in a school setting.

Every child is a unique person, growing in different ways at different times and possessing areas of strength and weakness. Your child will demonstrate these skills and traits in varying degrees.

EMOTIONAL READINESS

Developing age-appropriate maturity and expression

- Separates from parents positively
- Manages negative emotions appropriately
- Display impulse control skills
- Transitions from play to work well
- Shows empathy for others

SOCIAL READINESS

Possessing healthy relationships with peers and adults

- Shares and take turns
- Follows 1- and 2-part directions
- Participates in small group play
- Expresses needs verbally
- Displays basic manners

PHYSICAL READINESS

Moving one's body with strength, dexterity, and agility

Fine & gross motor skills:

- Writes name
- Holds a pencil without fist grip
- Attempts to color inside shapes
- Builds with blocks/Legos™

Visual motor skills:

- Copies shapes
- Traces on dotted lines
- Maintains eye focus
- Draws pictures

Independence & self-care:

- Picks up after self
- Works and plays independently
- Puts coat on and off alone
- Possesses self-care bathroom skills

COGNITIVE READINESS

Acquiring knowledge and understanding

Math readiness skills:

- Reads shape names
- Counts to 20
- Reads numbers 0 to 10 (out of order)
- Recognizes 1:1 correspondence
- Sorts by shape, color, size

Reading readiness skills:

- Reads capital and lowercase letters
- Listens to read-a-loud stories
- Retells information from a story
- Knows the difference between letters and numbers
- Recognizes name in print

Your child will flourish with the individualized attention they will receive at Temple Academy. Our classrooms feature plenty of light and interactive learning.

Our teachers use a hands-on, project-based approach that enables students to grow in confidence and master basic concepts in reading, math, and other core subjects. We will nurture and engage your child because we truly love what we do.

What are your priorities for Kindergarten?

- Building a Biblical worldview
- Ensuring a safe and secure campus
- Supporting your home's values
- Communicating directly with you
- Learning phonetic reading skills
- Enjoying a structured classroom
- Developing math readiness



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