

School transitions can be difficult. Whether your child is moving to a new school district, transitioning to a new school within the same district, or simply getting used to the idea of returning to school after the summer break, anxiety can set in. Please find a list of books below that may help prepare your child for the upcoming transition. All titles listed are currently available at the Mastic-Moriches-Shirley Library. The call numbers are included to help you locate the books when you visit the library.



Below are books related to being the “new kid” and moving to a new school or neighborhood.

Elementary:

Time for School! by Brian Biggs (J B BIGGS)

You Will Be my Friend! by Peter Brown (J PB BROWN)

First Day Jitters. by Julie Danneberg (J PB DANNEBER)

Goodbye, Friend. Hello, Friend! by Cori Doerrfeld (J PB DOERRFEL)

Geraldine by Elizabeth Lilly (J PB LILLY)

Goodbye, School by Tonya Lippert (J PB LIPPERT)

Alexander, Who’s Not (Do You Hear Me? I Mean It!) Going to Move by Judith Viorst (J PB VIORST)

Augustine by Melanie Watt (J PB WATT)

New Bear at School by Carrie Weston (J PB WESTON)

Henry and Mudge and Annie’s Good Move by Cynthia Rylant (J ER RYLANT)

Chalk Box Kid by Clyde Bulla (J FIC BULLA)

Dog Days by Karen English (J FIC ENGLISH)

Superhero Max by Lawrence David (J PB DAVID)

Stand Tall, Molly Lou Melon by Patty Lovell (J PB LOVELL)

Marshall Armstrong is New to our School by David Mackintosh (J PB MACKINTO)



Make Way for Dyamonde Daniel by Nikki Grimes (J FIC GRIMES) (2nd – 4th grade)

Back to School, Mallory by Laurie Friedman. (J FIC FRIEDMAN) (3rd – 5th grade)

Middle School:

New Kid by Jerry Craft (J GRAPHIC NEW KID)

Books related to being new to the country:

Elementary:

Sunday Chutney by Aaron Blabey (J PB BLABEY)

Brand New Kid by Katie Couric (J PB COURIC)

In English, of Course by Josephine Nobisso (J PB NOBISSO)

I'm New Here by Anne Sibley O'Brien (J PB OBRIEN)

Someone New by Anne Sibley O'Brien (J PB OBRIEN)

Pancho Rabbit and the Coyote: A Migrant's Tale by Duncan Tonatiuh (J PB TONATIUH)

The Day You Begin by Jacqueline Woodson. (J PB WOODSON)



Middle School:

The Arrival. Shaun Tan by (J PICTURE TAN) wordless, grades 6+

Books related to the back-to-school transition:

Elementary:

Wemberley Worried by Kevin Henkes (J PB HENKES)

The School Book by Todd Parr (J PB PARR)

How to Get your Teacher Ready by Jean Reagan (J PB REAGAN)

Butterflies on the First Day of School by Annie Silvestro (J PB SILVESTR)

Goodbye Brings Hello: a Book of Firsts by Dianne White (J PB WHITE)



Books related to milestone transitions:

Elementary:

King of Kindergarten by Derrick Barnes (J PB BARNES)

Clifford Goes to Kindergarten by Norman Bridwell (J PB BRIDWELL)

Clifford va a kindergarten by Norman Bridwell (J SPANISH PB BRIDWELL)

Lena's Shoes are Nervous by Keith Calabrese (PB CALABRES)

Kindergarten Rocks! by Katie Davis (J PB DAVIS)

Llama Llama Misses Mama by Anna Dewdney (J PB DEWDNEY)

Chu's First Day of School by Neil Gaiman (J PB GAIMAN)

A Kiss Goodbye by Audrey Penn. (J PB PENN)

Kindergarten, Here I Come! by David Steinberg (J PB STEINBER)

The Pigeon HAS to Go to School! by Mo Willems (J PB WILLEMS)

The Night Before Kindergarten by Natasha Wing (J PB WING)



Middle School:

A Smart Girl's Guide: Middle School by Julie W. Montalbano (J 373.236 MONTALBA)

Manual to Middle School by Jonathan Catherman (J 373.236 CATHERMA)

The Strange Case of Origami Yoda by Tom Angleberger (J FIC ANGLEBER)

The Sixth Grade Nickname Game by Gordon Korman (J FIC KORMAN)

Merci Suarez Changes Gears by Meg Medina (J FIC MEDINA)

Frazzled: Everyday Disasters and Impending Doom by Booki Vivant (J FIC VIVANT)

Guts by Raina Telgemeier (J GRAPHIC TELGEMEI)

