

# THE EWING PUBLIC SCHOOLS



## ♥ KINDERGARTEN ♥

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### **WHAT KINDERGARTEN TEACHERS WOULD LIKE YOUR CHILD TO KNOW\***

Here are some tips to help prepare  
your child for Kindergarten:

- ❖ Help your child to develop independence at home
- ❖ Focus on self-help skills
- ❖ Teach responsibility
- ❖ Develop and follow routines
- ❖ Read aloud to your child
- ❖ Engage him/her in meaningful literacy activities
- ❖ Acknowledge your child's feelings

*\*Taken from Ready or Not Kindergarten, Here We Come / NAEYC*

## **Kindergarten Readiness Checklist**

- ✓ Listen to stories without interrupting
- ✓ Recognize rhyming sounds
- ✓ Pay attention for short periods of time to adult-directed tasks
- ✓ Understand actions have both causes and effects
- ✓ Show understanding of general **times of day**
- ✓ Cut with scissors
- ✓ Trace basic shapes
- ✓ Begin to share with others
- ✓ Start to **follow rules**
- ✓ Be able to recognize authority
- ✓ Manage **bathroom needs**
- ✓ Button shirts, pants, coats and zip up zippers
- ✓ Begin to control oneself
- ✓ **Separate from parents** without being upset
- ✓ Speak understandably
- ✓ Talk in complete sentences of five to six words
- ✓ Look at pictures and then tell stories
- ✓ Identify rhyming words
- ✓ Identify the beginning sound of some words
- ✓ Sort similar objects by color, size and shape
- ✓ Recognize groups of one, two, three, four and five objects
- ✓ **Count to ten**
- ✓ Bounce a ball



# **SEE YOU IN SEPTEMBER!**