

By the Age of 4

- Catch and throw a large ball
- Hold Crayons with fingers instead of fist
- Ask what, who, when, and where questions
- Speak in sentences of five or more words
- Recognize and name at least five colors
- Play with other children and share toys
- Dress themselves completely except some fasteners
- Help with little chores around the house
- Count to five
- Be understood by others, but still has some speech errors
- Listen to books and request favorite ones
- Engage in make-believe play

By the Age of 5

- Walk up and down stairs without using a railing or assistance
- Count to ten
- Explain what objects are used for (like a knife is for cutting)
- Go to the bathroom without help
- Name at least eight colors and four shapes
- Draw simple pictures
- Be understood most of the time, but may still have speech errors with S, L, and R
- Talk in long sentences, tell short stories, and retell events
- Stay with an activity that interests them for ten minutes or more
- Share and take turns without arguing
- Follow simple two-step directions



Do you have concerns about your child's development?

EARLY DETECTION OF DEVELOPMENTAL DELAYS IS VERY IMPORTANT, AND RESOURCES ARE AVAILABLE. THE EARLIER DELAYS ARE RECOGNIZED, THE SOONER HELP CAN BE PROVIDED TO SUPPORT GROWTH AND PROGRESS.

More Information

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Child Find

Developmental Screenings for Children ages 3-5



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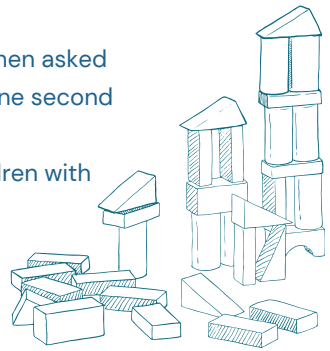


It's a natural wonder how your child is progressing in all areas of development. You want to know if your child is meeting the age-appropriate milestones in speech and language, motor skills, social behavior, self-help, and cognition.

Here are some of the things your child should be able to do at the following ages:

By the Age of 3

- Run without falling often
- Walk up and down stairs holding a railing
- Imitate drawing a circle (not perfectly round)
- Build a block tower of at least eight blocks
- Can do some things for themselves (like putting on clothes and feeding themselves)
- Be understood more than half the time
- Use several words together (Mommy catch ball)
- Follow simple directions
- Point to six body parts when asked
- Balance on one foot for one second
- Match colors and shapes
- Play alongside other children with similar toys



WHAT'S NEXT?

If your child is experiencing difficulty with any of the skills expected for their age, a Child Find screening may be an ideal first step in getting them the support they need.

This free program is offered by the Fairbanks North Star Borough School District for children ages 3 to 5.

A phone interview will determine if screening is necessary. At the screening appointment, your child will be asked to complete age-appropriate tasks. If necessary, a further evaluation will be suggested.

Early identification of a child's needs before they enter school can help ensure a successful school experience.

If you feel your child could benefit from a Child Find screening, **call (907) 452-2000 ext. 11448** or scan the QR code to complete the form, and we'll contact you for a phone interview.

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