
A Sample of What Your Child Will be Working on in Pre-kindergarten

### English Language Arts

**Language**
- letter identification
- letter-sound identification
- vocabulary
- phonics
- rhyming
- sequencing, retelling stories, and story elements

**Writing**
- correct pencil grip
- writing first and last name

**Social Skills:**
- how to work and collaborate with others
- how to solve conflicts
- how to achieve resolutions

**Emotional Skills**
- how to verbally express and recognize feelings
- how to help others in need
- how to take turns and share
- how to manage frustrations
- how to stay engaged with the school task at hand

**Gross Motor Skills**
- how to walk in school and on school grounds safely
- how to climb and descend stairs safely
- how to balance, hop, and skip safely
- how to play catch

**Fine Motor Skills**
- how to hold writing tools
- how to use scissors
- how to use a computer with a mouse
Please refer to the New York State Next Generation Mathematics Learning Standards link below:

- colors
- shapes
- patterns
- one-to-one correspondence
- number recognition and identification
- counting from 1-20
- simple addition (one more and one less)

How Can I Help My Child at Home?

1. Maximize Love, Manage Stress
   https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gK464FuqzPc
   Devote special time after school for time to talk, snuggle on the couch, and give your child undivided attention for a portion of each day.

2. Talk, Sing and Point
   https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rlKkl0RB%Ec
   Build pre-kindergarten vocabulary in your home language and English by singing songs and talking to your child about the world around them. Ask questions and encourage them to ask questions as well.

3. Count, Group, and Compare
   https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BLFS0sy0hsQ
   Practice math skills by sorting socks, setting the table together, and counting everything (steps, windows, block).

4. Explore through Movement and Play
   https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xX2DFO58z8
   Make certain your child has plenty of time to run and jump and play. Play ball, jump rope, and play games with your child. Take them to the park and play with them. Push them on the swings, slide down the slide, chase each other and laugh and enjoy each day.

5. Read and Discuss Stories
   http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4HFHPOO9OAM
   Set aside time to read every day with your child. Discuss the stories with them. Respond to their comments and ask questions. Enjoy the pictures and talk about what you see.
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