

Welcome to Kindergarten!

Everett Public Schools 2021



Welcome to Penny Creek!

Thank you for joining us today!

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First day of school

Kindergarten students' first day of school will be September 13, 2021.



Families First

- September 8th, 9th and 10th – Family Connection Meetings
- Appointments will be scheduled with families in August. Some may schedule as soon as this week.



Purpose of Family Connection meetings:

- To welcome families
- To begin building strong relationships
- To learn from families about children



Pathway to Success:

Family
connection

Families and teachers partnering to get to know you and your child

Whole
child assessment

Teachers identifying children's strengths to target support where it's needed most

Early learning
Collaboration

Kindergarten teachers and early learning providers sharing information to help children succeed

The
Result

Creating a pathway toward your child's success in school



21st Century Skills

- Citizenship
- Collaboration
- Communication
- Creativity
- Critical Thinking
- Growth Mindset



Social skills

- Following routines
- Sharing
- Helping others
- Recognizing feelings
- Understanding emotions
- Managing self
- Problem solving
- Interacting with children and adults
- Taking on challenging tasks



Plan-Do-Reflect

Learning through intentional choice, action and reflection

Students

- Plan a self-selected project based on interests
- Construct meaning
- Interact with peers
- Process new information
- Evaluate own learning
- Managing self
- Inspire others to try new ideas
- Become an expert



Teachers

- Provide a rich learning environment
- Observe and support students
- Ensure students do the hard work
- Coach for risk taking
- Listen, interact and question to extend students' thinking
- Validate students as experts



Illustrative Mathematics

The big ideas in kindergarten include; representing and comparing whole numbers, initially with sets of objects; understanding and applying addition and subtraction; and describing shapes and space. More time in kindergarten is devoted to numbers than to other topics.

The mathematical work for kindergarten is partitioned into 8 units:

1. Math in Our World
2. Numbers 1–10
3. Flat Shapes All Around Us
4. Understanding Addition and Subtraction
5. Composing and Decomposing Numbers to 10
6. Numbers 0-20
7. Solid Shapes All Around Us
8. Putting It All Together



Literacy: Oral language

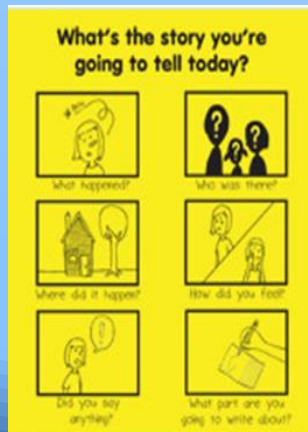
- Listening and understanding
- Expressing thoughts, feelings and ideas
- Learning and using new words
- Retelling familiar stories
- Taking turns in classroom conversations



Literacy: Learning how stories work

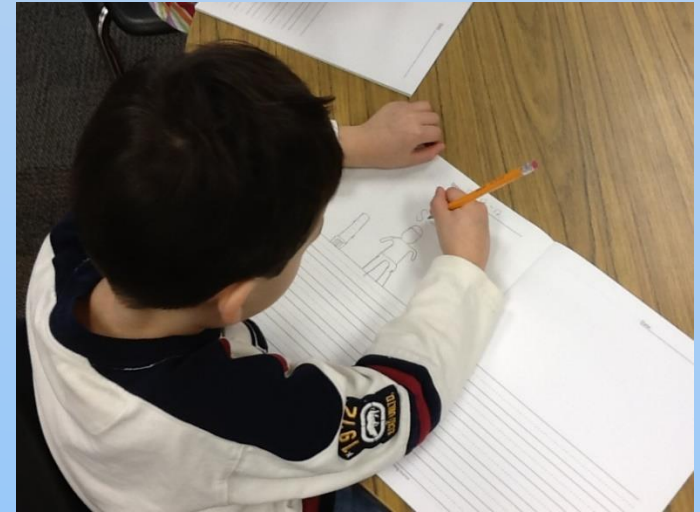
Telling about a memory

- What happened?
- Who was there?
- Where did it happen?
- How did you feel?
- What did you say?



Literacy: Beginning to write

- Telling and drawing one's own stories
- Sounding out and writing letters and words
- Using writing in a variety of ways
 - Labeling
 - Expressing opinions
 - Creating lists
 - Journaling



Literacy: Beginning to read

- Phonemic awareness
- Phonics
- Sight words
- Shared reading
- Small flexible groups
- Independent practice



Science

Learn about

- Life science
- Physical science

Apply

- Next Generation Science Standards practices and crosscutting concepts

Participate in STEM engineering challenges

- Ask questions
- Observe
- Gather information
- Design
- Test
- Compare possible solutions



Recess



Specialists



Mrs. McCarthy's Room



Mrs. Osmonson's Room



Supporting your child's success



Creating independence

- Independently use the bathroom
- Put on, zip & button coat
- Blow own nose
- Wash hands
- Open food & lunch containers
- Clean up small spills
- Put away materials
- Ask for help



Family involvement

- Support your child's learning in all areas
- Make attendance a priority
- Come to school and family events
- Participate in WaKIDS family meeting and parent teacher conferences
- Help with class projects/work
- Volunteer
- Join PTA or Natural Leaders



Everett Ready August 2021

A Transition into Kindergarten...

Monday, August 23 through Friday, August 27

At your child's elementary school

- Half-day: 3 hours per day in the morning
- Transportation provided (if applicable)
 - bus routes/stop will be sent in early August
- Family meeting date & time will be sent in early August

Visit the district P-3 Early Learning website

<https://www.everettsd.org/Page/5967>

P-3 EARLY LEARNING

Overview >

+ ECEAP Preschool

Other Preschool Options

+ Play & Learn

+ Kindergarten

✓ Resources for Preschool and Kindergarten Readiness

Community Partner Resources

Family Resources

Welcome to P-3 Early Learning

The P-3 Early Learning team strives to create safe, healthy and aligned learning experiences for all children in our community. We focus our work on connecting a child's earliest years at home or in childcare to our school and community programs. Standards-based instruction, family engagement, professional development, and data and assessment supports are all part of the P-3 work.

We serve three primary groups in our community and schools: families of children birth through third grade, teachers of these students, and community organizations that serve these students and families. In all of this work, the P-3 goal is the optimum development of the whole child.



On these pages you will find resources to inform, connect and guide you to early learning opportunities in our community. As your child's first teacher, we hope you find these resources helpful!

Please reach out to our team if you have questions.

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[P-3 Early Learning](#) 425-385-4024

[ECEAP Preschool](#) 425-385-4068

Family Resources









Everett Public Schools Kindergarten Readiness

Family Guidelines

Parents and families have a very important role as their child's first teacher. of the skills that will help your child prepare for kindergarten.

- [Amharic](#)
- [Arabic](#)
- [Cambodian](#)
- [Chinese](#)
- [English](#)
- [Ethiopian](#)
- [Korean](#)
- [Marshallese](#)
- [Oromo](#)
- [Russian](#)
- [Somali](#)
- [Spanish](#)
- [Tagalog](#)
- [Tigrigna](#)
- [Ukrainian](#)
- [Vietnamese](#)

Summer Bucket List Kindergarten Readiness

Summer Bucket List to support kindergarten readiness		
 <p>Parents and families have a very important role as their child's first teacher. Children learn in different ways and at different rates. They come to school with varying skills. The activity list below suggests some fun ways to work with your child this summer to help him/her be more ready for school. They can complete the bucket list more than once!! Have fun!</p>		
Social/ Emotional I did this		
1	Play Simon Says Outside: Give two sets of directions each turn (ex: simon says clap your hands and jump).	
2	Follow directions and get ready for bed ontime (ex: dinner, bath, brush teeth, read bedtime story, go to bed).	
3	Emotion Game: Act out different emotions and see if your family can guess. Have them act out emotions too! Can you guess?	
4	Find a spot in your house that is safe when you get frustrated or sad. What will you do there to help calm down?	
5	Getting dressed and ready for a trip to the park all by yourself!	
6	Tell a family member all the things you can do by yourself (get a snack, brush your teeth, get dressed).	
7	Do a random act of kindness. How did it make you feel?	
8	Clean your room or play area.	
9	Do a chore to help your family at home!	
10	Take an outing to a new place you have never been.	
11	Share a toy with a friend or sibling.	
12	Plan and carry out a random act of kindness.	
13	Playdate with a friend outside.	
Physical I did this		
1	Play an outside family game.	
2	Use sidewalk chalk to create a line obstacle course. Draw straight, curly and zig zag lines to follow down the sidewalk.	
3	Play a game with a ball where you need to throw, catch and kick the ball!	
4	Play catch with a friend or family member. How many times can you catch the ball in a row without dropping it?	
5	Use magazines, newspaper or junk mail ads to find things you like. Cut out the pictures and glue them to make a collage.	
6	Use sidewalk chalk to draw your favorite things.	
7	Practice zips, snaps, and buttons so you are ready for kindergarten.	
Language I did this		
1	Act out your favorite story!	
2	Play I spy during a nature walk with an adult! Give them 5 clues to see if they can guess what you spy!	
3	Talk about the weather. How many words can you use to describe it (looks like, sounds like, feels like?)	
4	Draw a picture of your favorite animal. Tell a family member as many details as you can about your animal.	
5	Call a family member that does not live with you and tell them about your kindergarten summer bucket list.	
6	Ask a family member to tell you a story about when they were a kindergartener.	
7	Tell a family member a story about something funny that happened to you.	

Before the first day

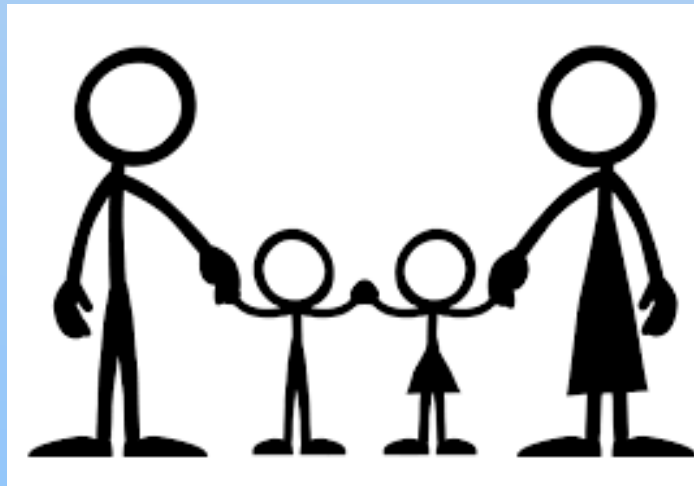
- Develop a home and bedtime routine
- Help your child learn their personal information
- Get supplies ready and labeled
- Visit the school playground over the summer
- Practice drop off and pick up procedures



Additional support

- If you have concerns about your child's development or readiness for kindergarten, please contact:
 - Your School Principal
 - Special Services
 - 425-385-5250
 - Early Learning Department
 - 425-385-4024
 - 425-385-4068

Questions?



Thank you

