

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth date: \_\_\_\_\_

**IMPORTANT: Please complete and return to the teachers when your child comes to school for his or her orientation.**

## Kindergarten Readiness Checklist

Not sure if your child is ready to tackle the world of kindergarten? Our Kindergarten Readiness Checklist will give you an idea on what areas your child is doing well in, and where they may need some extra attention. It's a good idea to do the checklist, and then work with your child in the areas they need extra help. In a few weeks, do the checklist again to see how much your child has improved. Our Kindergarten program is HIGHLY academic. **Your child should come to Kindergarten being able to do most of the things on the checklist.** We will be evaluating some of these skills at the Kindergarten orientation/visits.

### Fine Motor Skills

- 1. Puts a 10- to 12-piece puzzle together  Yes  Not Yet
- 2. Holds scissors correctly  Yes  Not Yet
- 3. Holds a pencil or crayon properly  Yes  Not Yet
- 4. Knows how to use a glue stick  Yes  Not Yet

### Gross Motor Skills

- 1. Runs, jumps and skips  Yes  Not Yet
- 2. Walks backward  Yes  Not Yet
- 3. Walks up and down stairs  Yes  Not Yet

### Social Skills

- 1. Uses words instead of being physical when angry  Yes  Not Yet
- 2. Speaks clearly so an adult can understand him/her  Yes  Not Yet
- 3. Plays with other children  Yes  Not Yet
- 4. Follows 3 or 4 step directions  Yes  Not Yet
- 5. Expresses feelings and needs appropriately  Yes  Not Yet
- 6. Goes to the bathroom by him/herself  Yes  Not Yet
- 7. Waits his/her turn and shares  Yes  Not Yet
- 8. Talks in complete sentences  Yes  Not Yet

9. Asks questions about things around him/her  Yes  Not Yet
10. Enjoys having books read to him/her  Yes  Not Yet
11. Can tell a story about a past event  Yes  Not Yet
12. Says "please" and "thank you"  Yes  Not Yet
13. Can spend extended periods away from Mom and Dad  Yes  Not Yet
14. Is comfortable being left with a babysitter or caregiver  Yes  Not Yet
15. Can sit attentively for at least 10 minutes (watching TV or playing video or computer games doesn't count!)  Yes  Not Yet
16. Is beginning to solve problems independently  Yes  Not Yet

### Academic Skills

1. Recognizes shapes (square, circle, triangle, rectangle)  Yes  Not Yet
2. Can sort items by color, shape and size  Yes  Not Yet
3. Can identify ten parts of his/her body  Yes  Not Yet
4. Understands concept words such as up, down, in, out, behind, over  Yes  Not Yet
5. Counts from 1 to 10  Yes  Not Yet
6. Recognizes eight colors  Yes  Not Yet
7. Recognizes and writes his/her name  Yes  Not Yet
8. Recognizes at least 20 uppercase letters of the alphabet and some lowercase letters  Yes  Not Yet
9. Draws a recognizable person with a head, body, arms, legs and face  Yes  Not Yet

### Personal Information

1. Knows his/her full name  Yes  Not Yet
2. Knows how old he/she is  Yes  Not Yet
3. Knows his/her address and telephone number  Yes  Not Yet
4. Knows his/her mother and father's first names  Yes  Not Yet
5. Knows birthday  Yes  Not Yet