Kindergarten Readiness Class
2018-2019

Will your child be ready for a successful year in Kindergarten in 2019?
“Kindergarten Readiness does not just happen. While learning seems to come naturally, young children do not automatically acquire all the knowledge and skills they need for a positive Kindergarten experience. The readiness to learn that each child brings into the Kindergarten classroom comes directly from the experiences he or she has had – or not had – in the years before.” The author goes on to say, “The key is for parents to become knowledgeable and to be constantly proactive, working together with their children and making learning a joyful and productive part of everyday life from the preschool years on.”

From the book

*What Your Preschooler Needs to Know*
Edited by E. D. Hirsch, Jr.

Many skills and competencies have been identified as necessary for a child’s success in Kindergarten. Parents have the ability, and responsibility, to help their children master all of them in order to equip their child with the confidence and knowledge that they will need to achieve success in school.

Here at the Joseph T. Simpson Public Library we offer a *Kindergarten Readiness Class* to children who will be entering Kindergarten next year and their parents. The classes are designed to highlight and practice those skills and competencies in a classroom setting where the children have the opportunity to work on those skills both independently and with their parents. These classes will also help the children make a smooth transition from their preschool experiences into the Kindergarten classroom experience.

*Only children who will be attending Kindergarten in the fall of 2019 are invited to attend this program.*

Four separate sessions, each consisting of 9 classes, will be offered this school year. One class will meet on the first Tuesday afternoon of each month at 1:00 PM; a second will meet on the first Thursday afternoon of each month at 1:00 PM; the third will meet on the first Tuesday evening of each month at 6:00 PM; and the fourth will meet on the first Thursday evening of each month at 6:00 PM. All sessions will meet in the meeting room of the library. We invite you to choose the ONE session that will suit your schedule so you and your child may attend all 9 classes.

Class size will be limited to 24 children and *Registration is required*. Registration begins on August 15. You may register in person here at the library at 16 North Walnut Street, Mechanicsburg, or by calling (717) 766-0171. Questions about this class may be directed to Cheryl Tumas, Children's Services Coordinator.