



# Kindergarten

The Kindergarten teachers are excited to be a part of your child's first school experience here at Success Academy South Bend! Kindergarten is an important year in which together, we can establish a great foundation and encourage a love for learning for many years to come!

To provide the best start possible for your soon-to-be H.E.R.O., the kindergarten teachers would like to meet with each kindergartener to provide a Readiness Assessment prior to the first day of school. This is a short, 10-minute test that will cover the basic foundational skills your child should know upon entering kindergarten. These skills include: name writing, upper and lowercase letter recognition, letter sounds, shapes, number recognition to 20, and a box to draw a picture of themselves. The picture will tell us about your child's writing ability.

The assessment is not a placement test that determines if your child will be allowed to begin kindergarten this August. The assessment will allow the kindergarten teachers to gain a better understanding of your child's academic ability to ensure we are prepared to tailor their learning experience to them starting the first day of school. We want to meet each child where they are as an individual learner every step of the way!

Kindergarten students will not begin classes Monday, August 14<sup>th</sup> along with our 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade students. During the first week of school, August 14-18, we will provide you with an appointment time to come in with your child to complete the readiness test. Class lists will then be provided, and we will have a separate open house specific to kindergarten students on Friday, August 18. During the open house, you will have the opportunity to meet your child's teacher and ask questions! The first day of school for kindergarten students will be Monday, August 21.

We look forward to partnering with you to make your child's first year a SUCCESS! If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact us!

Kind regards,  
Success Academy Kindergarten Teachers