#### Transition to Kindergarten Readiness

Preparing for kindergarten is an exciting milestone! Engaging in simple, hands-on activities at home helps build essential skills in language, math, science, social-emotional development, and independence. Using the Excellerations PreK-Kindergarten Achievement Kit, families can create fun learning experiences that promote confidence and school readiness. Find these easy-to-implement engaging activities featured in this Quarters Parent Circle to support your child's transition to kindergarten that make learning enjoyable while strengthening key developmental areas.

### **Language & Literacy Development:**

- **Letter Recognition Hunt** Use letter foam tiles from the kit to create simple words and match letters in books.
- **Name Writing Practice** Encourage children to write their name using different materials (sand, chalk, markers).
- Rhyming Word Games Use picture cards to match rhyming words and play "I Spy" with rhyming clues.

### **Mathematical Thinking**

- **Counting and Sorting** Use manipulatives (pattern blocks, cubes) from the kit to count, group, and create patterns.
- Shape Hunt Identify and draw shapes found at home using the shape cards.
- **Number Recognition Game** Play dice games to practice number recognition and counting.

### **Science & Exploration**

- Nature Walk & Journal Observe plants and animals, draw findings, and discuss changes in nature.
- Simple Experiments Use STEM materials to explore cause and effect, such as sinking and floating.
- Weather Charting Track daily weather and discuss changes over time.

### **Social-Emotional Development**

**Role-Playing** – Practice classroom routines like raising a hand, taking turns, and sharing.

**▽ Dramatic Play** – Set up pretend play areas (grocery store, school) to practice social skills.

#### Fine & Gross Motor Skills

- **Cutting & Pasting Crafts** Use safety scissors to cut and glue simple shapes or letters.
- Tracing & Drawing Follow tracing lines in activity books to strengthen hand coordination.
- Movement Games Engage in hopping, skipping, and balancing activities to build coordination.

### **Daily Living & Independence**

- **Snack Time Independence** Let children practice opening snack containers and pouring drinks.
- **Self-Help Skills** Encourage dressing, zipping, and tying shoes independently.
- **Daily Routine Chart** Create a visual schedule to prepare for kindergarten routines.



# Family Activities

April 2025



## Week 1

Letter Recognition
Hunt - Use letter foam
tiles from the kit to
create simple words and
match letters in books.

# Week 2

Counting and Sorting

- Use manipulatives

(pattern blocks, cubes)

from the kit to count,

group, and create

patterns.

### Week 3

Nature Walk & Journal - Observe plants and animals, draw findings, and discuss changes in nature.

### Week 4

Role-Playing - Practice classroom routines like raising a hand, taking turns, and sharing.





# Family Activities

**MAY 2025** 

### WEEK 1

Name Writing Practice
- Encourage children to
write their name using
different materials (sand,
chalk, markers).

### WEEK 3

Simple
Experiments - Use
STEM materials to
explore cause and
effect, such as
sinking and floating.

# WEEK 2

Shape Hunt - Identify and draw shapes found at home using the shape cards.



### WEEK 4

Set up pretend play areas (grocery store, school) to practice

social skills.



# Family Activities

June 2025

### Week 1

Rhyming Word

Games – Use picture

cards to match

rhyming words and

play "I Spy" with

rhyming clues.

### Week 2

>> Cutting & Pasting
Crafts – Use safety
scissors to cut and
glue simple shapes or
letters.

# Week 3

Movement Games
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 skipping, and
 balancing activities to
 build coordination.

# Week 4

Snack Time
Independence – Let
children practice
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