



## The Four “S” Words for Kindergarten Success

**The following skill areas are important to keep encouraging in your child to help to ease the transition into Kindergarten:**

**Sharing:** This community concept is important to help problem solve and develop recognition of others.

**Sitting:** Add to this the idea of patience, listening and waiting. A part of our daily routine is meeting time. Providing some opportunities for your child during the summer to sit for at least 15 minutes listening to a story or directions will help prepare him/her for this expectation.

**Self-Reliance:** Fostering a sense of independence by breaking down self-help tasks, allowing for trial and error and praising efforts will provide a feeling of being ready to accomplish new tasks.

**Stay Calm:** This is probably one of the greatest influences on your child’s independence and success. Do not panic at signs of hesitation or clinging. The Kindergarten Staff is ready and able to ease worries during this transition.

