



VIRGINIA BEACH CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
CHARTING THE COURSE

KINDERGARTEN READINESS CHECKLIST FOR PARENTS/ GUARDIANS

Student Name _____ Date _____

Please read each item below and check the column that applies to your child. Add comments when appropriate. This information will be used by your child's teacher to assist with planning appropriate instruction this school year.

Cognitive Readiness

My child can...	YES	NO	Comments
Hold a book and turn pages one at a time			
Retell a familiar story			
Answer simple questions after reading a story			
Recognize his/her name in print			
Identify the letters in his/her first name			
Speak in complete sentences			
Maintain focus on a task for ten minutes			
Correctly grasp writing tools			
Manipulate scissors for cutting paper			
Put together a puzzle with ten or more pieces			
Identify basic colors and shapes			
Identify likenesses and differences in objects			
Compare the size of objects			
Count to ten or higher			
Count a set of ten objects			

Social and Self-Awareness Readiness

My child can...	YES	NO	Comments
Listen to and follow verbal directions			
Ask for help when needed			
Express needs appropriately			
Regulate his/her own behavior			
Attempt new tasks			
Play fairly with same-age peers			
Share and take turns			
Recognize the needs and feelings of others			

Self-Awareness Skills

My child can...	YES	NO	Comments
Tell his/her first and last name			
Tell his/her home address (street name)			
Tell the name of his/her parent/guardian			
Complete an activity independently			
Perform self-care tasks independently (such as toileting, washing hands)			
Dress, zip, and button own clothing			

Please provide brief responses to the following questions.

What is your child's favorite book, and what other types of books does your child enjoy?

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What activities and games does your child enjoy?

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How would you characterize your child's behavior in a new setting?

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Please list any previous formal learning experiences in which your child has participated
(e.g., Preschool, Pre-Kindergarten, Head Start).

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Thank you for your time in completing this form.