Kindergarten Readiness

GOAL

Our greatest impact will begin with our youngest Clevelanders. We will increase the number of children under five who have the literacy skills to be ready for kindergarten.

MEASURING PROGRESS

By 2025, increase 0-5 Early Literacy programs offered by 36% and attendance by 50% and increase the number of children (0-5) who have a library card by 10%.

Each year, score in the 3+ pt range in feeling of preparedness for kindergarten among program participants (1=no change in feeling of preparedness to 5=extremely prepared).

ROLE

CPL connects the community with experiences to play, learn, and grow together.
Transactional vs. Transformational

PRIORiTY 1: CLOSING THE GAPS - Kindergarten Readiness

Family Engagement Approach

- Build Relationships with Families
- Learn from Families and Community Members
- Model Best Literacy Practices with Families
- Connect Families to Resources in their community
Early Literacy Programs & Practices

- FamilySpace
- Young Scholars Academy
- 0 to 3: Read to Me!
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Locations: (5 west / 5 east locations)
- Carnegie West Campus
- Lorain Campus
- West Park Campus
- Jefferson Campus
- Union Campus
- Rice Campus
- Woodland Campus
- Harvard-Lee Campus
- Sterling Campus
- Brooklyn Campus
0 to 3: Reimagining Play Areas (Harvard-Lee)
Young Scholars Academy (YSA)

Beginner (3-4 Yrs Old) & Transitional (5-6 Yrs Old)

Kindergarten readiness program for scholars and their families.

Young Scholars Academy Locations:
- Union Campus
- Lorain Campus
- Woodland Campus
- Collinwood

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<td>Social and Emotional: Self-Awareness A1. 3.a Identify appropriate time and place to safely process emotions, independently or with the guidance of a trusted adult</td>
<td>Flight School-Penguin wants to fly All Are Welcome Here Practice Stress Relievers</td>
<td>Starting Point Forms Library Card Applications First Day Expectations Feelings Wheel Stress Relievers Main Points • Learning is fun • Self-control is important to social success</td>
<td>All Are Welcome Here Book Bubbles/Sidewalk Chalk/Beachball</td>
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<td>RF.K.3 a. Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words. L.K.1 b. Print many upper- and lowercase</td>
<td>ABC Zoo Borns ABC Touch and Feel (Use Hidden Alphabet for Online)</td>
<td>Reading – Letter names and sounds Beginning Readers Study Area</td>
<td>Kindergarten Kit – Blue Case (new scholars) Name writing paper Pencils Writing Workbook</td>
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| **Transition to K (Required for intervention specialists)**  
All intervention specialists need to be aware of the necessary steps for students with disabilities transitioning to kindergarten.  
(Refer to your email for your required session time.) | Janna Head; CMSD  
https://clevelandmetroschools.org.zoom.us/j/7418416257?pwd=89093966648 |
| **What's New at the Cleveland Museum of Natural History?**  
Learn about the new museum opening at the end of this year, as well as all of the educational resources available to you and your students. | Megan Johnson, Emily Skinner, Justin Forneris & Lee Gambol; Cleveland Museum of Natural History  
https://cmnh.zoom.us/j/2162314603?pwd=S2tQZG9CY1JsRFBG50rZ3pE6tdZwz09 |
| **Early Literacy in the Community**  
Explore all the amazing early literacy programs Cleveland Public Library has to offer families to help prepare scholars for Kindergarten Readiness. | Jacqueline Lamb, Annisha Jeffries & Sandy Nosse; Cleveland Public Library  
Click here to join the meeting |
| **ACTING WITH EMPATHY:**  
Using theater arts and dramatic play to explore emotional awareness | Khaki Hermann; Playhouse Square |

**Spreading the Word!**
On the Road to Reading

Play, Learn & Grow Together
Field Research and Best Practices

• Met with Outreach Specialists from libraries nationwide, including:
  o Duluth Public Library
  o Akron-Summit County Public Library
  o Brooklyn Public Library
  o Dayton Metro Library
What's Next?
Next Steps

• Purchase Van
• Hiring
  o Early Literacy Outreach Associate
• Wrapping Design
• Retrofitting
• Purchasing books, giveaways, program supplies
• Create revamped program plan
• Webpage and promotion
• Launch!