

# Kindergarten Readiness Skills

## **Literacy, Oral Language & Writing Development**

- \*Says his/her first and last name
- \*Follows simple directions
- \*Speaks clearly and in complete sentences
- \*Expresses feelings and ideas
- \*Listens and responds to stories and books
- \*Retells a familiar event or story
- \*Participates in rhyming or word play
- \*Talks about picture books
- \*Pretends to "read" a book
- \*Can identify the letters in the alphabet
- \*Writes first and last name
- \*Writes using drawings, made-up or real letters

## **Mathematics**

- \*Identifies some shapes
- \*Matches objects
- \*Notices similarities and differences
- \*Groups items that are similar
- \*Uses math language (bigger, smaller, up, down, heavier, lighter)
- \*Plays counting games
- \*Touches or points to objects when counting

## **Social and Emotional**

- \*Makes choices
- \*Takes turns
- \*Uses restroom independently
- \*Shares with others
- \*Tries new things
- \*Helps with chores at home
- \*Begins to demonstrate independence
- \*Completes tasks
- \*Begins to show self-confidence
- \*Expresses thoughts and feelings
- \*Plays with other children

## **Physical and Fine Motor**

- \*Hops, runs, skips and climbs
- \*Walks in a straight line
- \*Throws and catches a ball
- \*Buttons and zips clothes
- \*Assembles puzzles
- \*Uses crayons
- \*Holds scissors correctly
- \*Holds pencil correctly
- \*Turns single pages in a book

