



Early Kinder: How do you decide?

Parents, you know your child best and ultimately you will decide whether Early Kinder makes sense for your child. The following are suggestions to help you with your decision:

- Visit your school site to find out about the Kindergarten programs offered. Communicate with the school principal to answer any questions you may have regarding Early Kinder or the regular Kindergarten program options.
- Attend Kindergarten Orientation and/or school meeting to learn more about school/student expectations
- Meet with your child's preschool teacher or caregiver to discuss your child's readiness for Kindergarten.
- If you have concerns about your child's readiness to enter Kindergarten, consider these questions:
 1. Does my child have a fall birthday?
 2. Does my child appear to be ready for structured academic work?
 3. Would my child benefit from having additional time to develop his/her academic and/or social skills?
- Whether you request your child to be in Early Kinder or regular Kindergarten, approach the beginning of school with enthusiasm, confidence, and reassurance!
- Participate in your child's educational experience at home and at school. Get involved!!