

Pasco County Schools is very excited to welcome your future kindergartner! We have put together a timeline for you and your student as you transition from Pre-K and begin the...

# COUNTDOWN TO KINDERGARTEN!

## NOVEMBER - DECEMBER

- Find your child's neighborhood school at: <http://www.pasco.k12.fl.us/planning>
- Learn about school choice options
- Attend Pasco Pathways Expos - for more information, please visit: <http://www.pasco.k12.fl.us/expo>

## JANUARY - FEBRUARY

- School Choice Window is open from 1/7 - 1/21. (visit [pasco.k12.fl.us](http://www.pasco.k12.fl.us) for more information!)
- Know the procedures and required documents for enrolling your child in kindergarten at: <http://www.pasco.k12.fl.us/parents>

## MARCH - MAY

- Prepare for K Registration day. Check your school's website for details!

Registration Requirements:

- Must be 5 years old on or before Sept. 1
- Birth certificate
- Health Examination: HRS Form 3040
- HRS Certificate of Immunization
- Three Proofs of Residency, such as a utility bill (electric, water, etc.), lease agreement, or deed or property tax assessment: auto registration, driver's license, voter registration card.)

## MAY - AUGUST

- Help your child develop independence by learning how to work belts, zippers, and buttons on clothing.
- Read books together about starting kindergarten.
- Practice opening lunch items such as fruit cups, storage containers, juice boxes, etc.
- Is your child's school offering a K Camp or meeting? Plan to attend!

## TWO WEEKS BEFORE SCHOOL STARTS

- Start to establish an evening "going-to-bed" routine and a morning "getting-ready-for-school" routine with your child.
- Look for your school supply list from your school's social media page or website.

## ONE WEEK BEFORE SCHOOL STARTS

- Plan to attend the Elementary Orientation Day event to learn more about your child's school, the kindergarten program, and to meet your child's teacher. (visit [pasco.k12.fl.us](http://www.pasco.k12.fl.us) for more information!)
- Make sure the school nurse is aware if your child has allergies or any medical needs.
- Make sure there is a clear plan for how your child is dropped off and picked up.

## FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

- Allow plenty of time to get ready for school.
- If you are taking your child to school, leave early to allow time to find parking and be sure to follow the school guidelines for walking your child to class.
- Have fun and celebrate the first day of kindergarten with your child!

## THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

- Establish good attendance habits by making sure your child attends kindergarten each and every day on time.
- Set aside time after school each day to talk with your child about their day.
- Make backup plans to be sure your child can get to school on rainy days.
- Learn how you can become involved in your child's education!



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