



JUNE 2021



Join Us!
Great Start Parent Coalition

Thursday, June 17
6:00-7:30 pm

More info:
greatstartlivingston.org/meeting-information

Parent Coalition is open to all parents of young children in Livingston County.

Parent Testimonials:

<https://bit.ly/2QpOv8W>

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Look through old magazines. Cut out circles, squares & rectangles.	2 Did you register for Kindergarten? If not, call your local district now!	3	4 	5 Plant flowers together in a pot or in the ground & water them.
6 	7 Talk about the letter 'T'. Look for things that begin with the letter 'T'.	8 Check out your local library's website for summer reading program & activities.	9 Have your child recall a story or event in order (first, middle, last).	10	11 Read a story & ask your child what his/her favorite part was and why.	12 
13 Fly a kite. 	14	15 Make a fort out of blankets & sheets.	16	17 Great Start Parent Coalition Meeting REGISTER AHEAD!	18 Chat with your child today. The more words he/she hears, the better he/she will do academically.	19
20 	21 Count how many steps it takes to get from the driveway or sidewalk to the house.	22	23 Make an 'ants on a log' snack with raisins, peanut butter & celery.	24	25 Play with ice cubes outside. Watch how quickly they melt.	26 
27	28 	29 Play 'Simon Says' and give your child two things to do.	30	Follow us on social media for updates! fb.me/GreatStartLiv		

Did you register for kindergarten?
Call your local district now to register!

GreatStartLivingston.org/Transition-To-Kindergarten

**BOOKS TO GET
YOUR CHILD
EXCITED FOR
KINDERGARTEN**



JULY 2021



Kindergarten Rocks
by Katie Davis

On the Way to Kindergarten
by Virginia Kroll

The Night Before Kindergarten
by Natasha Wing

The Kissing Hand
by A. Penn



Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

				1 Play a card or board game that involves taking turns.	2	3
4 	5	6 Read a book about going to school. Tell your child a story about when you went to school.	7 Have your child practice jumping & hopping on one foot.	8 	9	10 
11 Have your child practice putting on their shoes by themselves.	12 Blow bubbles and count them as they pop.	13 	14 Use a doll or stuffed animal to show how to blow a nose with a tissue.	15 	16 	17 Show your child how to open a milk carton or how to insert a straw into a juice box.
18 	19	20 Go outside & count how many birds you see.	21 	22	23 Take a nature walk as a family.	24 
25 Catch, count, and release fireflies as a family.	26 	27	28 	29 Go on a picnic. Let your child decide what to bring & where to go.	30 	31 Write the alphabet on paper. Sing the ABC song slowly & have your child touch each letter as you go.



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AUGUST 2021



PRACTICE

Help your child practice tasks he/she will need to complete independently at school.



- 1. **Going to the bathroom**
(unbuttoning & fastening pants)
- 2. **Dressing**
(zipping coats & changing clothes)
- 3. **Putting on shoes**
- 4. **Eating lunch**
(opening juice or milk boxes)
- 5. **Following 2-step directions**



BED TIME

Begin to adjust bedtime and wake-up time about 2 weeks before Kindergarten starts.

Five-year-olds need about 11-12 hours of sleep per night to be ready to learn.

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1 Pretend it's the first day of school. Practice ways to say goodbye.	2 Start working on routines. Adjust your child's bedtime to what it will be during the school year.	3 Talk with your child about bus safety.	4 	5	6 Drive by your child's school often. Get your child familiar with the area.	7 
8 Have your child practice writing his/her name with chalk on the sidewalk.	9 	10 Create a lunch plan. Will your child pack a lunch or buy at school? Practice at home.	11 	12 Backpacks for Kids Event LESA - Howell	13 Have your child practice wearing a backpack.	14 Practice your address & phone number with your child.
15 Lay down in the grass with your child. Look up at the clouds. Talk about what you see.	16	17 Play Seek & Find. Examples: 'find something yellow in the kitchen', 'find something that is square'.	18	19  Have a dance party!	20	21 Make up silly words that rhyme with your child's name.
22 Have your child choose two books and read them together.	23	24	25 Turn household chores into learning games: matching socks or lining up canned goods by size.	26	27 Have your child set the table & count the correct number of forks, plates & glasses.	28 Play a round of mini-golf. Let your child help you keep score.
29	30 Cook in the kitchen together. Have your child follow the recipe. Let them mix & stir.	31 				



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