

10 Things I Can Do to Assist with the Transition to Kindergarten

- Schedule Parent Meetings/Trainings with a focus on transition (similar to what is done at a VPK Open House but with a focus on end of the year transition topics)
- Coordinate field trips to local elementary schools (invite parents to attend with their children)
- Explore ways to share information about children between the early learning programs and the kindergarten teacher and vice versa (with parent permission)
- Create and distribute a resource booklet for parents (ex. when Kindergarten Round Ups are held, information about kindergarten screening processes, etc.)
- Survey family transition needs (what do they already know, what they would be interested in learning more of, times that are best for parent meetings, etc.)
- Establish alumni parent support groups within your programs
- Practice how to do “big kid” activities while enrolled in their early learning program (set up a mock cafeteria and practice going through a lunch line, simulate activities such as lining up to get on the bus, going to a different class for various activities, raising their hand to go to the bathroom, etc.)
- Develop resources for parents that encourages activities throughout the summer to bridge the gap between VPK and kindergarten
- Practice self-help skills (tying shoes, putting items away)
- Encourage parents to be partners in their child’s education NOW!

Visit www.elcbrevard.org for additional information and resources related to the Transition to Kindergarten Toolkit.



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