

Preschool Readiness



Is My Child Ready for Preschool (Ages 3-4)?

As children grow in curiosity and independence, many parents begin to ask this important question. At SFC A Preschool, we believe readiness is not about perfection or pressure; it's about growth, guidance, and God's timing. *"There is a season for everything"* (Ecclesiastes 3:1), and each child develops uniquely. Preschool readiness simply means your child is beginning to develop the skills needed to feel confident, secure, and supported in a classroom environment.

What Preschool Readiness Means

Preschool readiness goes beyond letters and numbers. It reflects how a child is growing socially, emotionally, physically, and cognitively. These foundational skills help children adjust to structure, build relationships, and approach learning with confidence. At SFC A Preschool, we partner with families to support the whole child, mind, body, and spirit, following the Biblical encouragement to "train up a child in the way he should go" (Proverbs 22:6).

Why Preschool Readiness Matters

When children enter preschool developmentally ready, they are more likely to feel secure, engage joyfully in learning, and build positive relationships with peers and teachers. This confidence lays the groundwork for kindergarten readiness, pre-K success, and a lifelong love of learning. Our goal is to help children approach school with curiosity and assurance, knowing they are loved, capable, and supported "for God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power, love, and a sound mind" (2 Timothy 1:7).

Every Child Develops Differently

Readiness is not about comparison. Children grow at their own pace and honoring that pace builds confidence and security. Social, emotional, and spiritual growth are just as important as academics, especially in the early years.

Key Areas of Preschool Readiness



Social & Emotional Development

Children who are socially and emotionally ready are learning to:

- Separate from parents with growing confidence
- Play alongside and interact with other children
- Communicate basic needs
- Begin managing emotions with guidance
- Show curiosity toward new experiences

“Be kind and compassionate to one another” (Ephesians 4:32).

Physical & Self-Care Skills

Developing independence helps children feel confident throughout the school day.

Readiness may include:

- Independent bathroom use or progress toward it
- Feeding themselves with minimal assistance
- Practicing basic hygiene, such as handwashing
- Using crayons, scissors, and small objects with control
- Following simple physical directions

Communication & Language Skills

Preschoolers thrive when they can express themselves and understand others.

Signs of readiness include:

- Speaking in short, clear sentences
- Following simple two-step directions
- Asking questions and expressing needs verbally
- Understanding basic conversations
- Recognizing their name

Cognitive & Early Learning Skills

Preschool nurtures learning through play and exploration.

Early readiness may look like:

- Focusing on an activity for a short time
- Enjoying books, songs, and stories
- Recognizing basic colors and shapes
- Engaging in imaginative play
- Showing early problem-solving skills

Children do not need to master these skills before starting preschool.

Preschool is where these abilities grow.