Expectations for students entering kindergarten

Academic

- Know the letters of their own name (upper and lowercase)
- Know the names of at least 10 other upper and lowercase letters (the more letters they know the quicker they can move into the pre-reading skills)
- Recognize rhyming words
- Count orally to 20
- Identify numbers 0-10
- Identify circle, square, triangle, rectangle
- Know the color names
- Can sort objects by color & shape

Motor skills

- Can hold pencil in correct grip
- Can trace and draw lines
- Is able to print own first name
- Is able to use scissors properly
- Can color inside the lines



Social/ Emotional skills

- Is able to play nicely with other children
- Is able to wait for their turn
- Is able to handle separation from parents
- Demonstrates basic manners
- Treats others with respect

School Readiness skills

- Is able to sit quietly for 5-10 minutes during carpet time
- Is able to sit and work quietly for 5 minutes during table time
- Listens and follows 1 to 2 step directions from parents and teachers
- Is able to manage own clothing including zipping and buttoning
- Is able to manage own lunch box, thermos, etc (practice by having them use their lunch box/container over the summer)
- Knows proper bathroom etiquette and procedures