Here are some great books to read before kindergarten. These were handpicked by Washington County library staff. Find your new favorite book today! Ask your local library staff for more recommendations.

Into the Snow Yuki Kaneko A mother and child play and explore outside on a snowy day.

Don't Throw It to Mo David A. Adler Mo is the youngest kid on the Robins, his football team. Mo's coach has a plan to turn Mo's little size into a big win for the Robins in this early chapter book!

One Word from Sophia Jim Averbeck Sophia has one true desire for her birthday. Will her presentations, proposals, and pie charts help her get it? Turns out, all it takes is one word.

Juna's Jar

Determined to find her friend, Juna turns to her special kimchi jar for help each night. What Juna finds is that adventure--and new friends-can be found in the most unexpected places.

Jane Bahk

Marisol McDonald Doesn't Match

Monica Brown Clothes, food, recess games—Marisol's mismatched favorites might be confusing to

everyone else, but they make perfect sense to her.

Last Stop on Market Street Matt de la Peña A grandparent and grandchild talk about the beauty and fun in the world around them while riding the city bus.

Fire! iFuego! Brave Bomberos

Susan Middleton Elya Spanish words sprinkled throughout the lively textplus a glossary at the end-will enrich young readers as they cheer for the firefighters to save the day.

Lailah's Lunchbox

Lailah is so excited that she is old enough to fast with her parents and friends during Ramadan; but first, she wants to find a way to explain it to her classmates and teachers.

Sofia Martinez: The Secret Recipe

Jacqueline Jules Sofia helps her grandmother make rice pudding for the church dinner, but things don't go as planned. Find out if Sofia is able to fix the recipe in this early chapter book.

Me...Jane

Patrick McDonnell

Kadir Nelson

Reem Farugi

As the young Jane Goodall observes the natural world around her with wonder, she dreams of "a life living with and helping all animals," until one day she finds that her dream has come true.

Niño Wrestles the WorldYuyi MoralesNo opponent is too big a challenge for the cunningskills of Niño – popsicle eater, toy lover, somersaultexpert, and world champion lucha libre competitor!

If You Plant a Seed

Learn the process of planting and growing a seed, and about how a seed of kindness can bear sweet fruit.

The Book with No PicturesBJ NovakA book with no pictures? What could be fun about
that? There's nothing to look at but the words on the
page.... Words that make you say silly sounds... in
ridiculous voices!

I Don't Want to Be a Frog

Frog reads about other animals and decides he no longer wants to be a frog. With the help of his father, Frog realizes that being who he is can be a pretty good thing after all.

Dev Petty

George Shannon

One Family

A playful, interactive book that shows how a family can be big or small and made up of people of a range of genders and races.

Hiccupotamus Steve Smallman

The jungle animals are having a musical celebration! Everyone has a music-making talent to share. But what is that silly Hippo doing?

Interrupting Chicken David Ezra Stein It's time for the little red chicken's bedtime story – and a reminder from Papa to try not to interrupt. But the chicken can't help herself!

Ming Goes to School **Deidre Sullivan** Ming is ready to start school! She is curious and playful and ready for adventure, but even she gets scared of new things sometimes.

Alphabet TrainsSamantha VamosAll aboard for a train ride through the
alphabet! With a bouncy rhyming text, and
clever illustrations full of visual cues, young
readers will love learning all about trains.

Wild About Us!Karen BeaumontWouldn't it be dull if all the animals at the
zoo – and all the people in the world – looked
alike? A joyful picture-book celebration of
everything that makes us individuals!

Did you know?

If your child turns 5 before September 1, they can register for kindergarten!

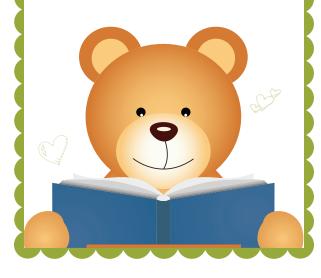
Get your student ready by registering for kindergarten before the end of this school year. **Don't wait!** The sooner you register, the better for your child.

Call 211 to find the school nearest you.



Reading aloud to your child and sharing books at home are great ways to get your child ready for school.

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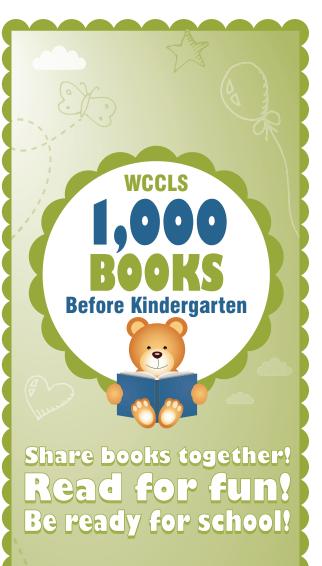
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