

## Estacada School District Kindergarten Readiness Assessment

The Estacada School District is using the following assessment to determine Kindergarten readiness. When first looked at, many parents panic but taking a closer look at the actual scoring you will see that your child is not expected to know everything on the assessment to be “ready for Kindergarten”. Below we have listed ways that Red Barn Preschool prepares your child to meet these goals. I would also like to stress that Red Barn focuses on the whole child preparing them for future success in all areas not just academics. The social/emotional and creative processes are vital to the child’s development and future success in school and in life.

Here are the questions w/ the number of points for each question and how Red Barn provides activities that support them:

1. How old are you? Are you a boy or girl?

2: Knows both

1: Knows one or other

0: Knows none

Red Barn provides activities such as: All About Me book, sharing time, birthday celebrations, role playing....

2. Draw a picture of a person

2: Stick figure

1: Circle with lines for arms and legs

0: No form or person at all

Red Barn provides activities such as: Monthly illustrated story pages, All About Me book, Easels with paint, crayons and felt pens available daily, monthly class book, and a variety of free drawing and craft activities daily.

3. Write you first name

2: Letter reversal OK, Nickname OK, letters in correct order

1: Some letters, missing letters, letters out of order

0: Refusal, no letters of name, scribbles

Red Barn provides activities such as: wet erase name practice during brain button time, encouraging independent name writing on art & craft activities, name writing with model on monthly class book, writing table available during free choice with a variety of writing materials.

4. Identifies basic colors

2: 8 or more

1: 4 -7

0: 0 -3

Red Barn provides activities such as: Color of the week at the beginning of the year, variety of board games during free choice time, felt pens, crayons, & paints in a variety of colors, color matching activities during Brain Button time, sharing, color songs....

5. Identifies at least 4 basic shapes

2: 4 or more

1: 1 - 3

0: None

Red Barn provides activities such as: Board games, , songs w/ shape props art & craft activities...

6. Identifies upper case letters

2: 10 or more

1: 5 – 9

0: 0 – 4

Red Barn provides activities such as: Letter of the week, weekly ABC book, ABC rhythm, ABC march, ABC sign language, ABC bingo, ABC board games, Brain Button activities, ABC writing templates

7. Able to count

2: 10 or more

1: 5 – 9

0: 0 – 4

Red Barn provides activities such as: Daily calendar, graphing, finger plays, songs, board games, Brian Button activities, tower building....

8. Identifies lower case letters

2: 10 or more

1: 5 – 9

0: 0 – 4

Red Barn provides activities such as: weekly ABC book, upper/lower case matching games, name writing (their own & friends), word copying, writing desk activities, abc stencils

9. Able to randomly recognize numerals 0 – 9

2: 5 or more

1: 1 – 4

0: none

Red Barn provides activities such as: daily calendar, board games, Brain Button activities, number puzzle cards, graphing activities, cooking

10. Count out number of objects

2: 5

1: 1 - 4

0: 0 or refusal

Red Barn provides activities such as: board games, Brain Button activities, cooking, Lego & block play, counting jars,

11. Able to put pictures in sequence

2: All in order

0: Any out of order

Red Barn provides activities such as: Sequencing cards in Brain Buttons, Flannel board stories for children's use, acting out stories, "what happened next" activities

12. Copies and extends repeating patterns

2: Copied and extended

1: Copied pattern

0: Didn't do either

Red Barn provides activities such as: Pattern cards, Brain Button activities, daily calendar, art & craft activities

13. Cuts with scissors

2: ¼" away from the line

1: straight line

0: snipping

Red Barn provides activities such as: craft activities, free art activities, Brain Button activities, cutting & pasting learning projects

14. Uses glue stick

2: Glues cut paper with glue stick

0: Did not perform

Red Barn provides activities such as: Cutting & pasting learning projects, weekly ABC book, free art experiences, craft projects

15. Demonstrates hops, jumps, skips

2: 2 or more

1: 1

0: None

Red Barn provides activities such as: music & movement activities, follow the leader, outdoor play, Simon Says, active board games

According to the scoring if your **5 year old** child scores:

20 – 30 Ready for Kindergarten

10 – 20 Moderate Support Needed

0 -10 Extensive Support Needed

At Red Barn we provide fun, creative activities enabling the average 5 year old to score in the 20 – 30 point range while still developing the social skills needed to navigate life.

The assessment also lists "Other Tasks"

Be able to use bathroom independently

Put on cold weather clothing independently

Open & close backpack independently

Follow instructions given to a group

Follow 2 step instructions

Raise hand, not interrupting when wanting to speak

These above mentioned "Other Tasks" are a daily experience at Red Barn.