

Explore resources for the youngest learners starting kindergarten to those getting ready for life beyond high school.

As always, Sno-Isle Libraries staff are <u>available to work with you</u> to serve students of any age.

# **Getting Ready for Kindergarten**

Starting kindergarten is a milestone for children and their families. The library has curated resources to help parents and caregivers get their future kindergartners ready.





#### Web Resources:

- National Association for the Education of Young Children | School Readiness: Access helpful articles about school readiness and making the jump to kindergarten, available in both English and Spanish.
- Get Ready to Read Transitioning to Kindergarten Toolkit (English | Spanish): Find practical tips and tools for parents and caregivers as they prepare their child for the next stage in school.

 Scholastic | Prepare Your Child for Kindergarten with These 20 Skills: For children ages 4 - 6, these expertapproved tips will give kids a head start in kindergarten.

#### **Booklists:**

- <u>Countdown to Kindergarten</u>: Find picture books recommended by Sno-Isle Libraries staff to help children develop reading readiness skills. Look for the "C2K" spine label in the picture book section or ask a staff member.
- **Getting Ready for the First Day (<u>English</u>|<u>Spanish</u>): Explore suggested books to get ready for the first day of kindergarten.**
- **Books for Beginning Readers:** Children enter kindergarten with a wide range of skills. This list has something for every emerging reader.

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# **Third Graders Read Together**



Third Graders Read Together is Sno-Isle's signature third-grade reading program, centering on the Washington Library Association's OTTER (Our Time To Enjoy Reading) Award. The goal of the award is to highlight six titles for readers transitioning into chapter books.

<u>Download the Sno-Isle Teacher Guide</u> for discussion questions, vocabulary, author and illustrator facts, and read-alike suggestions for each title. Check out the <u>Washington Library Association's OTTER Award</u> <u>website</u> to find information about each nominee, fun activities, and more! Don't forget to gather and submit your students' votes for the 2024 OTTER Award. Check the OTTER Award website for <u>updated voting information</u> as it becomes available.

### Life Beyond High School



Students in grades 6-12 are all at different points on the path to considering life beyond high school. Whether it's a four-year college, a two-year credential program, or entry into the workforce, Sno-Isle Libraries has resources available to help. Check out the <u>Beyond High School page</u>, or request materials from your local library.

### **Books for Spring**



<u>Mindfulness in the Classroom</u>: Check out books for early elementary students that remind us how to use our breath and slow down and be present.

<u>Smokey Turns 80</u>: Celebrate Smokey Bear's birthday by learning about the environment, wildfires, and safety with these picture and chapter books for kids.

**Run the World (Girls):** Who runs the world? Girls! Teens can celebrate Women's History Month by checking out one of these inspiring biographies or nonfiction titles.

**Poetry for Teens:** Explore these memoirs in verse and collections of poetry especially for teens.

### Last Educator Workshop of the 2023 - 2024 School Year



#### **Building Your Classroom Library** Tuesday, March 19 4:30 PM – 5:30 PM

Learn more about the resources that are available to support and empower educators with building a diverse elementary classroom library and discover new book recommendations from library staff. *WA state clock hours available.* 

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