| LOUDOUN COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS PARENT GUIDE TO KINDERGARTEN REPORT CARD |  |
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| LANGUAGE ARTS | Performance required to MEET end-of-year grade level expectations |
| Is Developing as a Reader |  |
| Names uppercase letters of the alphabet | Names 26 uppercase letters |
| Names lowercase letters of the alphabet | Names 26 lowercase letters |
| Develops and expands vocabulary | Demonstrates the following: discusses meanings of words; uses number words; uses words to describe people, places, and things; uses words to describe/name location, size, color and shape |
| Produces letter(s) sounds | Produces 21 consonant sounds,5 short vowels, and 3 diagraphs (e.g., sh, ch, th) matched to appropriate letters |
| Understands how print is organized and read | Holds printed materials in the correct position, identifies the front cover, back cover and title page of a book, distinguishes between print and pictures, and follows words, with finger, from left to right and from top to bottom on a printed page |
| Understands that print conveys meaning | Reads and explains drawings and writings and locates commonly used words and phrases in familiar text |
| Reads familiar text with accuracy | Uses finger to maintain accurate speech-to-print match in familiar text that includes words with more than one syllable |
| Demonstrates understanding of text | Identifies the role of an author and an illustrator; connects previous experiences to what he or she is reading; uses pictures to make predictions; asks and answers questions about what is read; includes a beginning, middle and end in retelling familiar stories; discusses settings and events; identifies text features such as titles, pictures and headings |
| Is Developing as a Writer |  |
| Writes to communicate ideas | Writes on assigned and / or self-selected topics to communicate and make meaning using phonetically spelled words |
| Understands writing mechanics | Writes the following: left to right and top to bottom; and capital letters at the beginning of a sentence |
| Prints in manuscript legibly | Legibly prints first name without a model; last name without a model; and all upper and lower case letters independently |
| Is Developing as a Speaker and Listener |  |
| Uses effective oral communication a variety of settings | Demonstrates the following: participates in a variety of oral language activities; uses complete sentences; initiates conversations, takes turns, stays on topic and uses voice level, phrasing and intonation appropriate for various language situations; follows one-step and two-step directions; and begins to ask how and why questions |
| Demonstrates phonemic awareness (rhyming, blending sounds and word / sentence segmenting) | Demonstrates the following: identifies and produces words that rhyme; blends 3 sounds to make a one-syllable word (/c/ /a/ /t/ = cat); segments a one-syllable word into sounds (cat = /c/ /a/ /t); and understands that a spoken sentence is made up of individual words |


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