

to wait a year for kindergarten.

Kindergarten Readiness

'Tis the season! Kindergarten orientation and registrations are happening! Here are some things to consider when deciding to enroll your child in ECS (Early Childhood Services/Kindergarten): A child should be able to sit and listen to a story. ☐ A child should be able to take direction from an adult other than mom or dad. A child should be able to ask for help. A child should be able to put his/her jacket on and shoes on independently. A child should be familiar with the letters in the alphabet. A child should be familiar with the numbers 0-10. ☐ A child should be able to hold a pair of child-friendly scissors and a pencil in a tripod position. A child should be able to use the washroom independently, including washing and drying his/her hands. You know your child best; ask yourself these questions: What are your child's social skills like? Does he/she play well with peers? ☐ What is your child's behaviour like? Can he/she handle frustration? What are your child's communication skills like? Can he/she express him/herself and be understood by others? ☐ What is your child's maturity level? Many children are "young for their age" and may do better