



Parent & Child Lending Library

WHO: All parents who want to help reinforce skills in their 4 or 5 year old**

WHAT: Hands on & literacy backpacks that can be checked out and taken home to use as extra practice.

WHY: To reinforce skills that are specific to helping your child's skills in Pre-K.

WHERE: Hanging in the back cubbies (under the info board on the back wall). The title of the pack is on the side.

WHEN: Any time you want to have some family fun or reinforce necessary skills.

HOW LONG: Each pack can be checked out for ONE (1) WEEK at a time (extensions can be arranged).

***See the end of the section below for info on our adult lending library and parent resource cabinet*

Lending Library Guidelines:

1. There will be a binder located on the back cubbies (The front will say Lending Library). Inside it, please fill out a check out slip. If the top copy is full, please turn the page to find a blank one! Leave this slip inside the binder. This will allow us to know which family has what items and for how long. Please do not take items from our lending library (adult or child items) without signing them out.
2. Please take the lending pack home and allow your child to explore it WITH AN ADULT ONLY. These packs should be used for extra fun with family and extra practice that will help build necessary skills. They are not designed to be "homework", but rather a fun experience you can share WITH your child.
3. Remember that once you have signed a pack out, you are responsible for the contents inside it. Please make sure the contents come back in clean/good condition, all write on/wipe off items have been erased, all items that came with the pack are included, and that you have kept the "booklet" that was in the front pocket for your records.
4. There is a list of contents on the booklet that is located in the front pocket. All items are inside the pack EXCEPT crayons. We have found that, in the past, leaving crayons in the packs didn't work because they melted quickly in warm cars, etc. Crayons will gladly be provided to you if this is writing utensil you desire. However, we encourage use the markers, etc. enclosed.

5. Please do not write on "write and wipe" boards (that may be in some packs) with anything other than dry erase. We will not be able to remove the writing if other tools are used on these boards/books.

6. The booklet inside the front pocket of each pack is YOURS TO KEEP. We will replace it with a new one for the next family when the pack comes back. Please keep the booklet for your records. These booklets were originally dry erase booklets. However, we have replaced them with photocopies to make things easier for you (and us). This cuts down on wear-and-tear and clean-up. So, you can write on/use the booklets any way you like, with any writing tool, and keep them when you are done.

Each class has a set of back packs. After a few months, we will rotate these packs so each class can have a different set. This will allow the kids to explore different topics throughout the school year. We will notify you via our website when the backpacks have rotated.

If your child is in need of help with a more specific skill, we can always "make" you a hands-on lending pack or a specific literacy pack that better suits their needs. These packs will need to be signed out just as the ones listed above (same rules apply). See your classroom teacher if you need a pack of this nature. (Examples: shoe tying, cutting, etc.)

**There are also materials for the adults to check out in the back cubby area. This includes books about parenting, discipline, things to do with your child outside, things to craft with your child, etc. Please sign these items out in our Lending Library binder as well.

**As an additional parent lending library, there is a large parent resource cabinet in our front lobby. Please feel free to check out any materials inside that resource cabinet that you may wish to use with your child or just as information for yourself. There are also many materials inside the cabinet that do not require check out, such as flyers, info pages, etc. If you are interested in anything pertaining to the parent resource cabinet, please see the front desk ladies & they will be able to assist you with your selection.

