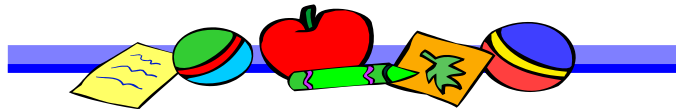


Parent Information For Kindergarten Transition



The transition process has been divided into eight steps that take place over nine months.

Step 1

In the fall, a meeting is set up for you and CDC therapists to discuss your Family Plan. Goals that will help your child be successful in kindergarten can be part of your child's program plan.

You will be given information about the kindergarten transition process. This includes a consent form for the CDC to share information about your child with Yukon Education. This Consent to Obtain/ Release form has two purposes.

- To notify Yukon Education which school your child will be entering in the fall and what special supports your child may need; and
- To allow the CDC to give your child's most recent reports to Yukon Education and to discuss the contents of these reports with them.

Step 2

An information session is held in November to inform you about the transition process. A letter will be sent to you with the date and time of the event.

Resource people from Yukon Education and the Child Development Centre are on hand to answer questions.

Step 3

Throughout the year, your Family Plan and child's goals are reviewed and updated by Child Development Centre staff.

Step 4

In the new year, a second information session is held. The following information is discussed:

- Remaining steps in transition process;
- Role of Student Support Services and school supports.

Step 5

In May (or earlier) we encourage the following steps:

- You visit your child's school;
- The kindergarten teacher visits or student support services staff may visit your child at their preschool or child care centre.

Step 6

The CDC gathers the latest information about your child's development and writes a transition report. With your permission (consent form signed in step 2) the report is sent to Student Support Services and the school your child will be attending. You can also complete a family booklet if you like.

Step 7

When needed, the Child Development Centre will arrange a meeting (transition conference) with you, CDC staff, school staff and student support services staff to share information that will make your child's start to school a positive experience.

Step 8

Student Support Services can help children, families and schools with a successful start to kindergarten by helping schools use the suggestions from the transition report.

If further direct (consultation or assessment) may be needed, schools will invite Student Support Services staff to School Based Team meetings. After that meeting, if direct consultation and/or assessment is needed, a referral to Student Support Services will need to be signed by a parent.



Best wishes to you and your child as you begin this next adventure!!