



## Kindergarten Readiness

Early childhood experiences set the tone for long-term school success. Four components function as the supports that influence readiness for children: community, educational environment, family and the child.

A kindergarten readiness snapshot tool can help educators make data-informed decisions in the classroom, home and community.

The data should not be used to keep a 5-year-old out of kindergarten and is not an automatic referral for special education or a progress monitor.

## Snapshot vs. Test

Snapshot	Test
Developmental Milestones	Assesses skills acquired
Overview	Comprehensive
Brief to administer	Administration can be lengthy
Observational	Individual testing



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The question is not whether a child is ready for kindergarten but, rather, is the kindergarten classroom ready for the child?