

Tips & Talks: Kindergarten Readiness Series

The Children's Museum of Richmond presents a Kindergarten Readiness Speaker Series and free Kindergarten-focused events in our Downtown Museum's lobby. We will be hosting speakers that go live at 6:00 pm the second Friday of each month on our Facebook page, from April through August.



Friday, April 8: Kindergarten Readiness Tips

Catherine Tompkins, M.Ed., Family and Community Engagement Resource Specialist at Chesterfield County Public Schools
Brittany Evans, Kindergarten Teacher of the Year at Chalkley Elementary School



Friday, May 13: Early Literacy Tips

Cynthia Hutchinson, Ed.S., Director at Excellence in Children's Early Language & Literacy (ExCELL)
Krista Dawson, M.Ed., Director of Education at CMoR



Friday, June 10: Tips for Social-Emotional Support

Whitney Kern, LCSW, Prevention Consultant at Chesterfield Mental Health



Friday, July 8: Readiness Tips for Caregivers

John Richardson-Lauve, LCSW, Director of Mental Health & Lead Trauma and Resilience Educator at ChildSavers
Candace Ross, Experienced parent
Anastasia Young, First-time Kindergarten parent



Friday, August 12: Tips for Healthy Routines

Bergen B. Nelson, MD, MS, Pediatrician and Associate Professor at the Children's Hospital of Richmond

Learning in the Lobby: Kindergarten Readiness Series

The second Saturday of each month from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm, we will have community partners at our Downtown location's lobby providing free support and activities for rising Kindergartners and their families.



Saturday, April 9: Look, Listen, Learn

Featuring: MEDARVA vision and hearing screenings* (first-come, first-served) and engagement with the Children's Hospital of Richmond



Saturday, May 14: Read & Discuss Stories

Featuring: Library card sign up* with librarians from Richmond, Henrico, and Chesterfield Public Libraries



Saturday, June 11: Big Kids, Big Feelings

Featuring: Fun activities and info to help kids deal with big feelings



Saturday, July 9: Let's Explore a School Bus

Featuring: DMV Kid ID card sign up* AND a tour of a big yellow school bus



Saturday, August 13: Healthy Bodies, Healthy Minds

Featuring: Kids' Fitness with the YMCA, healthy habit supports, and a snack courtesy of Wegman's

Events with an asterisk (*) next to them may require supporting documents such as a birth certificate, proof of address, or more. Please consult our website (www.CMoRVA.org) for more details.