**Preferred Kindergarten Readiness Skills**

**Developed by the Huntington Beach City School District**

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**Behavioral**

-Successfully separates from caregivers upon arrival to school

-Follows two-step directions

-Ability to comply with directions and follows classroom rules

**Gross Motor**

-Runs

-Hops (on both feet, twice)

-Catches a ball (can be caught in toward their chest)

-Crosses the midline

**Fine Motor**

-Holds a pencil (using pincer grasp)

-Holds a crayon (using pincer grasp)

-Holds scissors and can cut (in both a straight line and a swerve

**Self-Help Skills**

-Independent toileting

-Identifies mom and dad by name

**Cognitive Skills**

-Attends to a task for at least 5 minutes

-Names and recognizes colors

-Names and recognizes the five basic shapes

**Mathematics**

-Counts up to 10

-Identifies numerals 1-5 (out of order)

**Language/Literacy**

-Concept of print (directionality)

-Phonemic awareness

-Identifies their first name in print

-Writes their FIRST name using upper and lower case letters

-Has a dominant hand established

-Can say the alphabet A-Z