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Save the Children believes every child deserves a future. In the United States and around the world, we work every day to give children a healthy start in life, the opportunity to learn and protection from harm. When crisis strikes, and children are most vulnerable, we are always among the first to respond and the last to leave. We ensure children's unique needs are met and their voices heard. We deliver lasting results for millions of children, including those hardest to reach.

We do whatever it takes for children – every day and in times of crisis – transforming their lives and the future we share.

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KINDERBOOST

HELPING KIDS TRANSITION TO KINDERGARTEN

THE FIRST DAY OF KINDERGARTEN IS A BIG STEP FOR KIDS!

And their families, too. But without the right preparation, many children find themselves behind from the start, not ready for school emotionally, socially and developmentally.

Research shows that the transition from early childhood care or home to elementary school is a significant milestone in the lives of young children. And when that transition is well planned, children have fewer adjustment problems and more continuous developmental progress. To give children the best chance to succeed in school, they must first have the chance to acclimate to the elementary school setting.

That's why Save the Children offers KinderBoost™, a transition program that helps ensure curious, excited, ready kindergartners on their first day of school!



Since 1932, Save the Children has worked in the United States with a strong focus on education. Building on our successful early childhood and school-age programs, we established KinderBoost to help ensure the transition to kindergarten is a smooth and successful one for America's kids.

The two-week, 10-day school readiness program provides children and families the opportunity to get to know their new school, meet teachers and staff, make new friends and engage in early learning activities.

KinderBoost works in partnership with communities, fostering meaningful connections between school and family.



KinderBoost Sample Schedule:

8:30 – 8:45
Arrival

8:45 – 9:00
Opening Songs & Activities

9:00 – 9:45
Calendar Math & Circle Time

9:45 – 11:30
Learning Centers

11:30 – 12:00
Story Time

12:00 – 12:30
Lunch

12:30 – 12:40
Goodbye Songs & Dismissal



KinderBoost Benefits:

- Daily skill-based learning centers, boosting readiness in early math, literacy, fine motor skills and more
- A kindergarten readiness workshop for families
- An in-school field trip
- A family literacy event and graduation celebration
- Resources for families, including transition-related children's books, school supplies, a backpack and learning games

KinderBoost 2017 Results:

- 98% of parents indicated their child's transition to kindergarten would be better because of KinderBoost
- 99% of parents indicated their child was better prepared and more comfortable starting kindergarten because of KinderBoost
- 100% of schools reported KinderBoost strengthened the transition to kindergarten