



How do I know which class is right for my 4 year old?

There are a number of factors that we consider when we are deciding which class your 4 year old should be in.

1. **Age:** If your child barely misses the kindergarten cut off for your school district and is mature for his/her age, the M/T/Th class might be the best fit. If your child is a younger 4 year old and will take two years of pre-school, the W/F class is the best fit for them.
2. **Academics:** If you do the mini assessment we have developed and your child demonstrates competency in these areas, the M/T/Th class might be the best fit. If your child does not already have most of the skills on the assessment, the best fit is likely the W/F class.
3. **Maturity:** If your child is ready for more academic work and less play time, the M/T/Th class might be the best fit. If your child could benefit from the social skills learned through playtime with peers, the W/F class might be the better choice.

Our goal for your student is that they will be in the right class! We don't want any child to feel like they have been thrown in the deep end without any swimming lessons. Likewise, we don't want your child to spend a year going over things that they have already mastered if they would be better challenged in a more advanced class.

Parent Instructions: Point to each letter, number, shape and color one at a time and ask your child to identify each one. Circle the ones they get right. Put a star next to letters if they know the phonetic sound it makes. In general, before they start our 4/5 year old classes, we want them to know at least half of the upper case letters/sounds, most of their numbers, all of the colors and all of the shapes.

3 2 8 1 5 7 9 8 6 10

A M D L I E
K Q N G B S
J C O P H
R Y W U V
Z X F T

