



Children learn:

- letter sounds, new words
- lining up, sharing, taking turns
- raising hands, sitting in a circle

We provide:

- a healthy snack for each child
- trained instructors
- fun games and activities
- parent resources to support learning at home

At no cost:

- free for registered participants
- supported by financial contributions through community funding
- for children ages 3-4
- 44 classes — January or February to June 2017



Get Ready for School™*

A Strong Start to reading™ program

*Based on the research of Dr. Luliana Baciu

Children aged three and four (born in 2013) may register for the *Get Ready for School* program offered at a site in their neighbourhood community. Trained Instructors will help children learn letter sounds, build their vocabularies, develop classroom learning behaviours (e.g. lining up, taking turns) and make new friends.

Program dates: Jan./Feb.—June 2017

- Tuesdays & Thursdays: Jan. 17 - June 22, 2017
- Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays: Feb. 6 - June 9, 2017
- each class is two hours in length, mornings or afternoons

Children attend:

- 44 classes
- one welcome visit (30 minutes) before the program starts

Parents attend:

- one welcome visit with their child before the program starts
- four parent information meetings



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Daily Routine



Free Play



Circle Time



Group Activity



Snack Time

Registration begins Nov. 1, 2016

– For children born in 2013

Register at the location near you.

Proposed 2017 Program Locations

Regional Locations	Classes each Week	
	M/W/F Feb. 6 - June 9	T/Th Jan. 17 - June 22
Kitchener-Waterloo		
Bridgeport Community Centre	9:15 – 11:15 a.m.	
Centerville Chicopee Community Centre		1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
Chandler Mowat Community Centre	9:15 – 11:15 a.m.	
Country Hills Community Centre		12:30 – 2:30 p.m.
Downtown Community Centre		9:15-11:15 a.m.
Kingsdale Community Centre	12:30 – 2:30 p.m.	
McCormick Branch Library		*9:15 – 11:15 a.m.
Our Place Family Resource and Early Years Centre		*1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
The Family Centre	*9:15 – 11:15 a.m.	
Victoria Hills Community Centre		12:30 – 2:30 p.m.
Williamsburg Community Centre	12:30 – 2:30 p.m.	
Cambridge:		
Grow Community Centre	12:30 – 2:30 p.m.	
Kinbridge Community Association		9:15 – 11:15 a.m.
Langs (call 519-653-1470 x. 286 to register)		*12:30 – 2:30 p.m.
Preston Heights Community Centre	12:30 – 2:30 p.m.	
Elmira:		
Kids and I Resource Centre (see website for location to register)	1:00 – 3:00 p.m.	

*Parents remain on site

For more information about this program:

Visit: www.strongstart.ca

Email: gfs@strongstart.ca or call: 519-743-9578

Provided at No Cost (to registered children)



The **Get Ready For School** program is based on the research of Dr. Iuliana Baciu. It is a program of the **Strong Start Charitable Organization**, which is a registered children's charity that provides programs and services through community wide partnerships to help young children learn to read.

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