



Get Kindergarten Ready at OC Public Libraries Books About The First Day of School



[Your First Day of Circus School](#) by Tara Lazar (2019) This charming take on school readiness will delight new school-goers and take a bit of the fear out of those first-day jitters. XFICP LAZAR T

[Mae's First Day of School](#) by Kate Berube (2018) As Mae's first day of school approaches she decides she IS. NOT. GOING. Will making new friends show her that they can conquer their fears together? XFICP BERUBE K

[School's First Day of School](#) by Adam Rex (2016) It's the first day of school at Frederick Douglass Elementary and everyone's just a little bit nervous, especially the school itself. XFICP REX A

[Lena's Shoes Are Nervous : a First-Day-of-School Dilemma](#) by Keith Calabrese (2018) Lena is excited about starting kindergarten but her favorite shoes are not until, with the help of her father and a very special headband, she convinces the shoes--and herself--to be brave. XFICP CALABRESE K

[Wemberly Worried](#) by Kevin Henkes (2000) A mouse named Wemberly, who worries about everything, finds that she has a whole list of things to worry about as she faces the first day of nursery school. XFICP HENKES K

[The Kissing Hand](#) by Audrey Penn (1998) When Chester the raccoon is reluctant to go to kindergarten for the first time, his mother teaches him a secret way to carry her love with him. XFICP PENN A

[Teaching Mrs. Muddle](#) by Colleen Nelson (2020) Fall in love at first blunder with a wisely foolish kindergarten teacher who makes the first day of school an experience to remember. XFICP NELSON C

[Mila Wants to go to School](#) by Judith

Koppens (2020) Mila is going to school for the first time, and she is excited. But Daddy is not. Mila doesn't want to be late on her first day of school. XFICP KOPPENS J

[The King of Kindergarten](#) by Derrick D. Barnes (2019) Instilled with confidence by his parents, a young boy has a great first day of kindergarten. XFICP BARNES D

[The Pigeon has to go to School!](#) By Mo Willems (2019) The pigeon must go to school, but frets about math, learning the alphabet, heavy backpacks, and what the teacher and others will think of him. XFICP WILLEMS M

[We Don't Eat Our Classmates!](#) by Ryan T. Higgins (2018) When the class pet bites the finger of Penelope, a T-rex, she understands why she shouldn't eat her classmates, no matter how tasty they are. XFICP HIGGINS R

[Sorry, Grown-ups, You Can't go to School!](#) by Christina Geist (2018) Lady and Buddy must insist that school is only for kids and teachers when their parents, grandparents, and even a dog get excited about joining them. XFICP GEIST C

[The Day You Begin](#) by Jacqueline Woodson (2018) Starting fresh in a new environment, especially when you look around and think that nobody quite looks or sounds like you, can be scary. This story inspires you to understand the gifts of individuality. XFICP WOODSON J

[Pete the Cat : Rocking in my School Shoes](#) by James Dean (2011) Pete the cat wears his school shoes when visiting the library, the lunchroom, the playground, and more while singing his special song. XFICP DEAN J