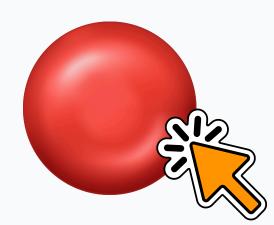




School Readiness and Structure



Consistent school-night routines reduce evening stress and ensure the child gets adequate rest, which is vital for attention and behavior. Consistent expectations lower anxiety and establish a clear behavioral framework before the stress of a new school year begins.



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How:

- Establish a consistent "schoolnight" routine (bedtime, homework spot).
- Practice separating from a caregiver (if applicable).
- Revisit family expectations around schoolwork and chores.

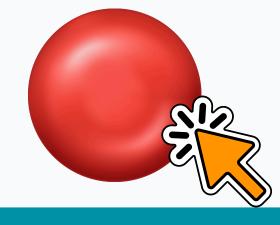
Resources and Tools

- Create a <u>homework routine</u> <u>checklist</u>
- Create a backpack prep zone
- Set a designated quiet work area
- Create a <u>weekly/daily chore chart</u>





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Structured Play

Structured play is an adult-led activity with set rules and goals designed to help children develop new skills, coordination, and confidence. By providing a predictable routine and defined outcome, it fosters problem-solving and teamwork within a supportive, safe environment.

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How:

- Practice turn-taking and sharing using board games or puzzles
- Participate in structured team activities
- Use household items to create games and activities that require structure and rules.

Resources and Tools

- Board games
- Seek team sport opportunities through local agencies like <u>Suffolk</u> <u>Parks & Recreation</u> or the <u>Suffolk</u> <u>YMCA</u>
- Directed art activities or building set activities (i.e. Lego kits)

