

What's it all about?

Definition

School readiness is about getting children ready for school which starts from birth. It is about building children's confidence, emotional skills, social skills, self-help skills, and dispositions for learning. Children should feel excited about going to school and confident they are ready.

What it is not

School readiness is not a specific set of skills that children focus on the year before school. It is not stencils and repetition that interrupt children's play and interest.

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NQF &

ABC

NQS QA1
QA3
QA5
QA6
Learning
Framework All Practices
All Outcomes

How to achieve it



Reflect on your school readiness approach and how it aligns with the NQF and current best practice guidelines. Identify any areas you can improve upon to build learning into children's play.



Let families know your approach to school readiness by advocating for play-based learning. Use your documentation to communicate children's learning clearly during play and support families to better see their child's learning instead of hiding it behind codes and symbols.



Talk to your local schools and find out what their priorities are when it comes to how you help prepare children for school within your context.