

Johnson County Library's

BOOKS TO GROW

Kit theme: **Going to School**

- Book titles included:
 1. **This is the Way We Go to School** by Edith Baer
 2. **Born in the Gravy** by Denys Cazet
 3. **Will I Have a Friend?** by Miriam Cohen
 4. **Annabelle Swift, Kindergartner** by Amy Schwarz
 5. **Chrysanthemum** by Kevin Henkes
- DVD: **The Day Jimmy's Boa Ate the Wash**
- CD: **Countdown to Kindergarten**



Additional titles available at the Johnson County Library:

Starting School by Janet Ahlberg
First Grade Can Wait by Lorraine Asestine
Building a Bridge by Lisa Shook Begaye
Summer's End by Maribeth Boelts
When Will I Read? by Miriam Cohen
School Bus by Donald Crews
My Mom Made Me Go to School
by Judy Delton
Mary Had a Little Lamb by Sarah Hale
School Days by B.G. Hennessy
Jackie's Lunch Box
by Anna Grossnickle Hines
Meatball by Phyllis Hoffman
When You Go to Kindergarten
by James Howe
First Day of School by Kim Jackson
Willy Bear by Mildred Kantrowitz
The New Boy by Holly Keller

The Wheels on the Bus
by Maryann Kovalski
School by Emily McCully
Little Hippo Starts School
by Maryann MacDonald
Three Names by Patricia MacLachlan
Nobody's Mother is in Second Grade
by Robin Pulver
Balancing Girl by Berniece Rabe
Curious George Goes to School
by Margret Rey
When I Went to School by Anne Rockwell
Bea and Mr. Jones by Amy Schwartz
Off to School by Ann Schweninger
Starting School by Muriel Stanek
My Teacher Sleeps in School
by Leatie Weiss
Oliver Pig at School by Jean Van Leeuwen

See the back for activities to help children with these 6 by 6 *Ready to Read* early literacy areas:

Have Fun With Books
Notice Print
Talk, Talk, Talk

Tell Stories
Look for Letters
Take Time to Rhyme

Activity Ideas – Going to School

- Have everyone make a circle holding hands, walking or skipping in a circle.

To the tune of *Here We Go 'Round the Mulberry Bush*:

This is the way we go to school,
Go to school, go to school,
This is the way we go to school
So early in the morning.

This is the way we bus to school, etc.
This is the way we gallop to school, etc.
This is the way we drive to school, etc.

- To the tune of *Have You Ever Seen a Lassie?*

The more we are together, together, together,
The more we are together, the happier we'll be.
For your friends are my friends and my friends
are your friends.
The more we are together the happier we'll be.

We're all in school together, together, together.
We're all in school together, and happy we'll be.
There's Mary and Peter and Janet and Joshua.
We're all in school together and happy we'll be.

Ten Little Froggies

(Hold up 10 fingers, point to fingers, first on one hand then the other)

Ten little froggies were swimming in a pool;
This little froggie said, "Let's go to school!" (thumb)
This little froggie said, "Oh yes, lets go" (pointer)
This little froggie said, "We'll sit in a row" (middle finger)
This little froggie said, "We'll learn to read" (ring finger)
This little froggie said, "Yes. Yes, indeed." (little finger)
This little froggie said, "We'll learn to write" (thumb)
This little froggie said, "We'll try with all our might" (pointer finger)
This little froggie said, "We'll draw and sing" (middle finger)
This little froggie said, "We'll learn EVERYTHING" (ring finger)
This little froggie said, "Then after school, we'll come back here and swim in our pool" (little finger)

(from Rhymes for Finger and Flannelboards by Louise Borden Scott)

The First Day Game

The first day of school	Corners to peek in	But the first day of school
There are lots of new faces.	And pictures to see,	My favorite game is
The first day of school	Things I can touch	What shining face
There are new things and	And new things that touch me.	Goes with each different
places -		name? <i>by Dee Lillegard</i>



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