



# UTAH'S Kindergarten READINESS PATHWAY



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**A child's success in lifelong learning** begins with a strong foundation built by their family, community, school and state. A Ready Family nurtures curiosity, independence and identity while advocating for personalized learning in a safe environment that fosters growth. A Ready Community assures accessible, high-quality early learning opportunities through collaborative support networks. A Ready School provides developmentally appropriate, individualized education in a nurturing environment that fosters both academic and social-emotional growth. Finally, a Ready State strengthens early childhood systems by investing in educators, resources and policies that promote access to quality learning. Together, these interconnected supports create a pathway for every child to thrive.



## **Ready Family - Lays the Foundation for Lifelong Learning**

A Ready Family sets the foundation for positive learning experiences by encouraging exploration, curiosity and independence in their child. They help their child understand their own identity through family traditions and values while also respecting others' identities. Ready Families partner with educators and community members to create opportunities that recognize their child's unique strengths. As the child's first teacher, a Ready Family advocates for learning opportunities that meet their child's individualized needs in an environment that fosters growth.



## **Ready Community - Supports Children and Families with Accessible Early Learning Opportunities**

A Ready Community values and supports children through a variety of high-quality, accessible early learning opportunities that meet the needs of individual children and their families. Through a comprehensive network of supports and collaborations between families, educators, health care providers, businesses and community organizations, a Ready Community invests in the success of all young children. This collective effort prioritizes the children's learning and development, giving them a strong foundation for success in kindergarten and beyond.



## **Ready School - Provides a Supportive Environment for Quality Education and Growth**

A Ready School aligns services and developmentally appropriate practices that support, recognize and respect each student. They promote lifelong learning and success from diapers to diplomas. The Ready School delivers high-quality, individualized education in a nurturing environment designed to foster children's development. Through reciprocal relationships with families and communities, elementary schools and early childhood programs support collaboration that empowers parents and educators to be active partners in learning. Ready Schools are places where all children thrive academically, socially and emotionally.



## **Ready State - Empowers Early Childhood Educators and Families**

A Ready State has systems of support for educators, service providers and families to assure that children of all abilities are prepared for school. The Ready State provides adequate funding for comprehensive services and resources that are aligned with evidence-based practices to all families. Ready States are responsive to evolving needs and can adapt to challenges to ensure access to high-quality learning opportunities led by skilled early childhood professionals who receive appropriate compensation. The Ready State maintains a focus on teacher competencies and continuous training to ensure the success of all children entering kindergarten.