







## No-Cost, At-Home Kindergarten Readiness

Waterford UPSTART is an in-home kindergarten readiness resource that will give your child a fun start in reading, math, and science (with a focus on reading) in just 15-20 minutes a day, 5 days a week. (Reading or Math/Science will randomly be selected for each student)

#### **No Cost**

Waterford UPSTART provides children with in-home kindergarten readiness at NO-COST the year before entering kindergarten.



Waterford UPSTART will provide a computer at NO COST (which you may keep upon completion) and Internet while enrolled in Waterford UPSTART (if you don't have it and qualify).

#### **Personalized**

Waterford UPSTART uses the award-winning software Waterford Early Learning. It provides hundreds of hours of instruction with an individualized learning path, which builds upon your child's strengths, knowledge, and skills.

Children receive personalized reading, math, and science lessons with an emphasis on reading.

### Independent and Fun

Waterford UPSTART is easy-to-use and makes it possible for your child to work independently and will capture their interest and imagination with engaging books, songs, and activities.

Waterford UPSTART is available to children ages four and five during the year before they go to kindergarten.

#### Full-Service Support



Waterford UPSTART supports families every step of the way. Technology is provided to qualifying participants, and all families are paired with a Family Education Liaison, who provides personalized updates, guidance, and encouragement.

It's not too early to start getting ready for kindergarten! Register Now

1-888-982-9898

or www.waterfordupstart.org

# Waterford UPSTART has been proven effective and has served about 60,000 children since 2009.

#### Waterford UPSTART Steps of Preparation (for Parents and Caregivers):

#### 1 Register

Registration is required to participate in Waterford UPSTART. Once you register, a representative will contact you to explain the next steps.

#### 2 Attend a Training Meeting

Training will be held at a location near you and cover everything you need to know to ensure your child's success in Waterford UPSTART. While you are in the meeting, your child will take the WACS test (Waterford Assessment of Core Skills™).

#### 3 Agree to Use Waterford UPSTART

All participants must agree to use Waterford UPSTART 15-20 minutes a day, 5 days a week. Your child should begin using Waterford UPSTART within a day or two after training.

#### 4 Engage

Each parent/caregiver is partnered with a Family Education Liaison who will welcome you to Waterford UPSTART, answer your questions, help and encourage your child, and monitor his/her progress and usage throughout the year. You will receive weekly emails with updates, software information, and a weekly usage graph.

#### 5 Graduate

Waterford UPSTART ends with a graduation that celebrates your child's achievements. Graduations will take place during the summer prior to your child attending kindergarten. At graduation, Waterford UPSTART administers a nal WACS test to track your child's progress.

Waterford UPSTART is proven to prepare children to enter kindergarten at or above grade level. External evaluations found Waterford UPSTART children showed significantly stronger learning rates than children in a control group and maintained that learning lead.

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#### Works for All Children



Rural communities



Dual language learners



Low-income families



Exceptional learners



#### Waterford UPSTART's Award-Winning Educational Software



Waterford Early Learning™ adaptive and sequenced core curriculum for reading, math, and science.



#### WACS

WACS (Waterford Assessment of Core Skills™) is an adaptive computer-administered test.

#### Waterford UPSTART

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