

## Wow! They Grow Up So Fast!



## What Is Your Preschooler Doing?...

1. **A preschooler likes to explore their surroundings:**
  - **2-2½ years:** walks up stairs, draws a straight line, asks to go to the bathroom, follows simple commands, puts three words together.
  - **2½-3 years:** knows his/her first name, can unbutton buttons, understands commands that ask for one object, asks questions, understands the meaning of words like “in”, “out”, “behind”, and “on”.
2. **Not all preschoolers develop the same way.** Some learn to do certain things sooner and other things later.
3. If you are concerned about your preschooler's development, talk with your health care provider. You may find **Bright Futures** informational website helpful: <http://www.brightfutures.org/georgetown.html>.
4. There are programs available to help preschoolers who need an extra push. If your preschooler has developmental delays, ask your local school district to evaluate your child for **Early Childhood Education Services** or ask about Head Start Programs by contacting the **Head Start Collaboration Office** at **618-583-2083**.
5. All public schools conduct screenings for preschoolers. Call your local school to ask about getting your child screened.
6. Many school districts have a Pre-K program. Call your local school district to learn if they offer one.

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