

# Day Early Learning

EARLY LEARNING INDIANA

At Early Learning Indiana, our mission is to ensure children throughout Indiana are empowered with essential skills to thrive in kindergarten and beyond. Each day your Day Early Learning student is in our care, they are participating in classroom activities that prepare them for this upcoming transition. Because this is such an important time for their development, we encourage you to continue their preparation at home with our Kindergarten Readiness series.



## KINDERGARTEN READINESS



### Series Activity #4: Beach Ball Kicker

**This activity will help your child(ren) demonstrate gross motor skills and encourage them to follow directions and expectations.**

1. Begin this activity by gathering beach balls, soccer balls or any other type of outdoor balls that you already have. Find an outdoor space to do this activity like your yard, a public park or your school's playground.
2. Invite your child to join you outdoors to practice kicking the balls. Ask them to warm up by practicing the kicking motion without a ball. Demonstrate how you kick your leg.
3. Show your child the balls and describe their different weights and sizes. Encourage your child to notice and talk about how each outdoor ball travels differently.
4. Engage with your child as they kick the balls and comment on what you see.

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**1, 2, 3, READY, SET, GO!**

