Congratulations! You have a kindergartner! This is a big transition for your child, and for you. *With your involvement and the right supports in place, your child will have a fantastic year!*

You are a critical part of your child’s IEP team. *You know your child best, and your participation is essential for success.* Share your child’s one-page profile, and prepare written parent input before IEP meetings.

It’s about trajectory! *It’s never too early to start dreaming big dreams for the future.* Kindergarten is the beginning of a long journey for your child-and your advocacy makes a difference.

In kindergarten, the focus changes from family to student. *The Individualized Education Program (IEP) is all about your student and their unique needs.* The IEP describes what your child’s school district will provide so they receive a Free and Appropriate Public Education (FAPE).

Stay involved in your child's education throughout the year! *Your child is an important and valuable member of their classroom and their school.*

Special education is a service, not a place. The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) says *kids with disabilities should be educated alongside kids without disabilities to the maximum extent appropriate.*

**YOU ARE NOT ALONE**

*We are here to help!* Our parent-led staff can provide support tools, templates, and strategies to help you be your child’s best advocate.

Additional resources available at factoregon.org

Questions? Call 503-786-6082 or email support@factoregon.org
Where are you headed?

What are *YOUR* next steps?

☐ Read your child's IEP
☐ Write a parent input statement
☐ Talk with your child! What do they want to do?
☐ Create a one-page profile
☐ Meet with your child's teacher

Questions I'm leaving with: