

# BE RESPONSIBLE

## Caregiver Gear Up Lesson

### PURPOSE:

Introduce caregivers to the academic standards required of their children in kindergarten. Caregivers will get a preview of the California Common Core State Standards for kindergarten and learn how to break down each standard to better understand what will be asked of their child.

### LEARNING GOALS:

- To learn how to help your child meet the high expectations of kindergarten standards.

### POTENTIAL SPEAKERS:

- **Teacher or School Administrator** – Focuses discussion on Common Core State Standards and their impact on learning in kindergarten.
- **County Department of Education Administrator** – Focuses discussion on Kindergarten State Standards and the how caregivers may assist in their children's mastery.
- **PTA Representative** – Focuses discussion on caregiver involvement in elementary school and how the association advocates and supports learning and engagement at the local school.

### HOSTING THIS SESSION:

- PLEASE READ THROUGH CAREGIVER HANDOUT BEFORE HOSTING THIS DISCUSSION.
  - Welcome caregivers back.
  - Invite caregivers to share some of the at-home activities they completed with their children from last week's session.
  - Allow caregivers time to ask any questions.
  - Give out Caregiver Handout. Encourage caregivers to take notes on the back of the Caregiver Handout.
  - Announce today's theme - **Be Responsible**.
  
  - Introduce Guest Speaker and what they will be speaking about today.
- OR**
- Facilitate discussion using this lesson's discussion questions.
  - Distribute discussion questions to caregivers.
  - Have caregiver read question aloud.
  - Encourage everyone to answer the questions as a group.

### CLOSURE:

- Encourage questions at the end of session.
- Review what children learned today. Let caregivers know that their child worked on playing a game and following the rules. Encourage them to ask questions about the rules and if they had fun taking turns.