SCHOOL DAYS:
A Select List of Brown County Library Children’s Books
(Preschool – Early Elementary)
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Picture Books

Adventure Annie Goes to Kindergarten by Toni Buzzeo
And Two Boys Booed by Judith Viorst ages 6 and up
Back to School Tortoise – Lucy M. George
Argus by Michelle Knudsen
Bailey/Bailey Goes to the Museum by Henry Bliss ages 5 and up
The Bear with Sticky Paws Goes to School – Clara Vulliamy
Because you are my Teacher by Sherry North
Bee-Wigged –Cece Bell Kid’s Choice! In this quirky book with a delightful twist, a giant bee overcomes negative expectations by being a conscientious student and classmate. 5 and up
Bobbo Goes to School by Shirley Hughes
The Bus Stop – Janet Morgan Stoeke
Buzzy Had a Little Lamb – Harriet Ziefert
Carl Goes to Daycare – Alexandra Day
Catch that Cookie! by Hallie Durand 6 and up
Chu’s First Day of School by Neil Gaiman
Countdown to Kindergarten – Alison McGhee
David’s Drawings – Cathryn Falwell
The Day the Crayons Quit by Drew Daywalt 6 and up
The Day My Mom Came to Kindergarten by Maureen Fergus
Dear Panda by Miriam Latimer
Dinosaur vs School by Bob Shea
Disappearing Desmond – Anna Alter Librarian’s Choice! Shy Desmond, who is comfortable blending in, is befriended by a charismatic new classmate. A story perfect for children reluctant to express themselves. Ages 5 and up
Each Kindness by Jaqueline Woodson 6 and up
Eliza’s Kindergarten Surprise – Alice B McGinty
First Day of School – Mercer Mayer
Foxy by Emily Dodd
A Funny thing happened on the Way to School by Davide Cali
Gingerbread Man Loose in the School – Laura Murray
Librarian’s Choice! A spritely, freshly-baked cookie tours the school, looking for the children that baked him. Don’t worry, this version of the classic story has a happy ending!

Ginny Louise and the School Showdown by Tammi Sauer

Updated for Fall 2015!
Hickory Dickory Dog by Alison Murray
How Do Dinosaurs Go to School? - Jane Yolen
How Rocket Learned to Read/Rocket Writes a Story by Tad Hills
I Gotta Draw! by Bruce Degen ages 6 and up
I will never get a Star on Mrs. Benson’s Blackboard by Jennifer Mann ages 6+
If You Take a Mouse to School - Laura Numeroff
The Invisible Boy by Trudy Ludwig ages 5 and up
Is Your Buffalo Ready for Kindergarten? - Audrey Vernick
Librarian’s Choice! This charming story reassures children: If a buffalo, despite his over-sized mistakes and mishaps, is a valued member of kindergarten, they will be too!
Jake Starts School - Michael Wright
Kindergarten Countdown - Anna Jane Hays
Kindergarten Diary – Antoinette Portis
Kindergarten, Here I Come! by David Steinberg
The Kissing Hand – Audrey Penn
Kitty Cat, Kitty Cat, Are You Waking Up? by Bill Martin
Little Lola by Julie Saab
The Little School Bus by Margery Cuyler
Llama Llama and the Bully Goat / Llama Llama Misses Mama - Anna Dewdney
Maisy Goes to Preschool - Lucy Cousins
Martha Bunny Loves School by Clara Vulliamy
Miles to the Finish by Jamie Harper
Miracle Melts Down by Rosemary Wells
Miss Bindergarten (Series) – Jenny Slate
Miss Brooks’ Story Nook by Barbara Bottner
Miss Nelson is Missing – Henry Allard A Classic! In this darkly humorous tale, a sweet, trod-upon teacher is unexpectedly replaced by a mysterious and very strict substitute.
Monsters Love School by Mike Austin
Mouse’s First Day of School! - Lauren Thompson
Mouse’s First Night at Moonlight School by Simon Puttock
Mom, It’s My First Day of Kindergarten by Hyewon Yum
My Preschool- Anne Rockwell
My Teacher is a Monster (No, I am Not) by Peter Brown
Oliver and his Alligator / Oliver and his Egg by Paul Schmid
On the Way to Kindergarten - Virginia Kroll
Panda Kindergarten – Joanne Ryder Kid’s Choice! Full of adorable photos, readers will feel like they are presiding over the “kindergarten” (China Conservation and Research Center) where young, mischievous pandas learn the skills they will need in the wild.
Picture Day Perfection by Deborah Diesen
A Pirate’s Guide to 1st Grade – James Preller Kid’s Choice! An energetic read-aloud about a restless boy whose teacher knows
just how to make his first day back to school great (includes a
glossary of pirate terms!).

- **A Place Called Kindergarten**  - Jessica Harper
  - **Planet Kindergarten** by Sue Ganz-Schmitt
  - **Rain School**  - James Rumford
  - **Ralph Tells a Story** by Abby Hanlon
  - **Ready for School, Murphy?** by Brendan Murphy
  - **Ready, Set, School!**  - Jacquelyn Mitchard
  - **Red** by Jan de Kinder  ages 5+
  - **Red: A Crayon’s Story** by Michael Hall
  - **Rufus goes to School** by Kim Griswell
  - **Rules for School** by Alec Greven
  - **Samuel’s Baby** by Mark Elkin
  - **Silly School** - Marie-Louise Fitzpatrick
  - **Substitute Creacher**  - Chris Gall  Kid’s Choice!  In this
  intriguing picture book for grade schoolers, a weary substitute
  “creacher” tells the woeful stories of past misbehaving students,
  including the story of how he became the one-eyed, tentacled
  creature of present.
  - **Think Big!** by Elizabeth Garton Scanlon
  - **Timothy Goes to School / Yoko’s Show and Tell / Yoko Writes
    her Name** by Rosemary Wells
  - **Too Much Glue** by Jason LeFebvre
  - **Tyrannosaurus Wrecks** by Sudipta Bardhan-Quallen
  - **A Very Big Bunny**  - Marisabina Russo
  - **We Love Our School!: A Read-Together Rebus Story** - Judy
    Sierra
  - **Wemberly Worried**  - Kevin Henkes A Classic!  Sensitive and
  worry-prone Wemberly is convinced that the first day of
  kindergarten will be a disaster, but she is happily proven wrong
  in this gentle story.
  - **Wow! School!**  - Robert Neubecker

**Beginning Readers**

- **Amanda Pig, Schoolgirl!**  - Jean Van Leeuwen
- **Bitsy Bee goes to School** by David A. Carter
  - **Fly Guy vs. the Fly Swatter!**  - Tedd Arnold Kid’s Choice!  This
    entry in the comical Fly Guy series will entrap even reluctant
    readers!
  - **Lulu goes to Witch School** by Jane O’Connor
  - **Monster School: First Day Frights** by David Keane
  - **Morris Goes to School**  - Bernard Wiseman A classic!  A
    befuddled moose’s eagerness to learn makes him a favorite
    student despite his zany mix-ups.

**Non-Fiction and Parent/Teacher**

- **Being Safe at School** by Sue Kesserling
- **Everything Kids’ Learning Activities Book** by Amanda Morin
First Day of School – Nicola Barber
Going to School by Rebeca Rissman (beginning reader)
Let’s Meet a Teacher by Bridget Heos
Let’s Play: (Un)Curriculum Early Learning Adventures by Jeff Johnson
My First Day at a New School – Charlotte Guillain
The Parent Backpack from Kindergarten through Grade 5 by Marylisa Nichols
School Buses by Allan Morey
200 Essential Preschool Activities by Julienne Olsen
With Books and Bricks: How Booker T. Washington Built a School by Suzanne Slade
You are Your Child’s First Teacher: Encouraging your Child’s Natural Development from Birth to Age 6 by Rahima Baldwin Dancy