

Beginning the Day

The beginning of the day is the perfect time to welcome students to your classroom and remind them of the friendly environment they come to each day. Some of these songs focus on learning students' names and others are just great for greeting one another. Starting the day with a cheerful song is a great way to set the tone for the day.





Do You Know What Time It Is?

Tune: The Muffin Man

Do you know what time it is?
What time it is, what time it is?
Do you know what time it is?
It's time to start our day!



Hey, Hey! It's Time to Start Our Day!

Chant

Hey, hey! What do you say?
It's time for us to start our day!
Grab a friend's hand and shake hello!
Tell them something fun you know!
Find your seat and look around.
It's time to start, so sit right down!



Clap a Friend's Name

Tune: London Bridge Is Falling Down

Clap a friend's name with me,
Name with me, name with me.
Clap a friend's name with me,
Let's clap (*name*).

Variations: snap, stomp, pat, skip



Hello, Neighbor!

Chant

Hello, neighbor! (*wave*)
What do you say? (*shake hands*)
It's going to be a beautiful day!
(*make a circle with both hands in front of you*)
So clap your hands, (*clap hands*)
And stomp your feet. (*stomp feet*)
Jump up and down (*jump*)
And have a seat! (*sit down*)



What Color Are You Wearing?

Tune: Mary Had a Little Lamb

If you're wearing red today,
Red today, red today -
If you're wearing red today,
Stand up and shout "hooray!"

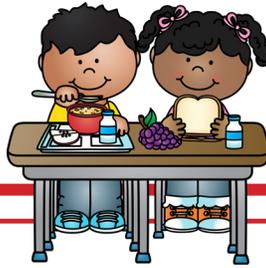
(Repeat the song and change the color.)



Good Morning, Preschool Friends

Tune: If You're Happy and You Know It

Good morning, preschool friends,
How are you? (*arms in the air pumping, saying "good, good!"*)
Good morning, preschool friends,
How are you? (*arms in the air pumping, saying "good, good!"*)
It's time to start our day,
We are here to work and play.
Good morning, preschool friends,
How are you? (*arms in the air pumping, saying "good, good!"*)



Hello, Afternoon Friends

Tune: If You're Happy and You Know It

Hello, afternoon friends,
How are you? (*arms in the air pumping, saying "good, good!"*)
Hello, afternoon friends,
How are you? (*arms in the air pumping, saying "good, good!"*)
It's time to start our day
We are here to work and play.
Hello, afternoon friends,
How are you? (*arms in the air pumping saying "good, good!"*)



It's Time to Start Our Day

Tune: The Farmer in the Dell

It's time to start our day.
It's time to start our day.
It's time to give a great big cheer
'Cause learning time is near!
Hooray!



Ready for the Day

Tune: If You're Happy and You Know It

If you're ready for the day, find your seat. *(clap, clap)*
If you're ready for the day, find your seat. *(clap, clap)*
Check your hands, check your feet,
If you're ready, find your seat.
If you're ready for the day, find your seat. *(clap, clap)*



I See Friends Looking at Me!

Chant: Brown Bear, Brown Bear

(child's name, child's name) who do you see?
I see *(child's name)* looking at me!

*(Continue this chant around the room
until everyone has been named.)*



Wiggle Your Fingers, Stomp Your Feet!

Chant

Wiggle your fingers in the air.
Wiggle them, wiggle them everywhere!
Stomp your feet upon the ground.
Stomp them, stomp them all around.
Now sit down and cross your feet.
Hands in lap, nice and neat.
Now we are ready to start our day,
We'll listen first, and then we'll play.



Our Friends' Names

Tune: Are You Sleeping?

Say a friend's name,
Say a friend's name,
After me,
After me.
Saying names is so much fun,
Especially this one,
(child's name),
(child's name).



Wave Hello!

Tune: Wheels on the Bus

Hey everybody wave hello,
Wave hello, wave hello.
Hey everybody wave hello,
And say good morning to *(child's name)*.



Where Is _____?

Tune: Are You Sleeping?

Where is *(child's name)*?
Where is *(child's name)*?
Here I am. *(child sings)*
Here I am. *(child sings)*
We're so glad to see you,
We're so glad to see you,
At our school,
At our school.



Let's Start Our Day

Chant

Hey, hey friends!
Let's start on our day!
But first let's make some monkey sounds!
Ooh Ooh, Ahh Ahh!
Ooh Ooh, Ahh Ahh!

Hey, hey friends!
Let's start on our day!
But first let's make some chicken sounds!
Cluck, cluck, cluck!
Cluck, cluck, cluck!

Hey, hey friends!
Let's start on our day!
But first let's make some owl sounds!
Hoot, hoot, hoot!
Hoot, hoot, hoot!

Hey, hey friends!
Let's start on our day!
But first let's make some kitty cat sounds!
Meow, meow, meow!
Meow, meow, meow!