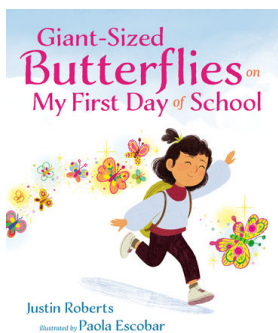


### [On the First Day of Kindergarten](#)

By Tish Rabe

On the first day of kindergarten, there's so much to do! From making new friends to jumping rope in the gym to riding the bus to school, there are lots of exciting firsts to look forward to. Even though saying good-bye to Mom and Dad is hard, when the school bus pulls up, it's time to begin kindergarten fun.

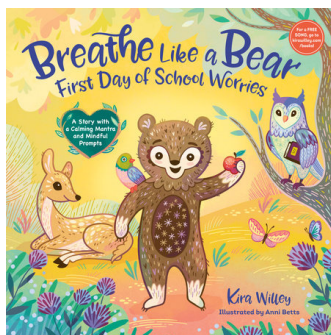
This engaging new adaptation of "The Twelve Days of Christmas" convinces parents and children alike that there is no place cooler than a kindergarten classroom.



### [Giant-Sized Butterflies On My First Day of School](#)

by Justin Roberts, illustrated by Paola Escobar

Tackle those first-day jitters with this gorgeous picture book about butterflies — but not the ones you're thinking about. These butterflies appear in your belly when you feel nervous, like the little girl in this story. With her mom's encouragement, the girl realizes butterflies mean something exciting is happening!



### [Breathe Like a Bear: First Day of School Worries](#)

by Kira Willey, illustrated by Anni Betts

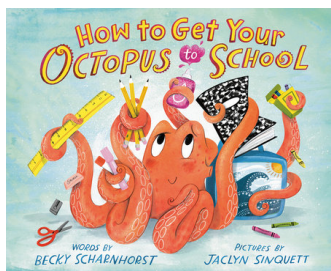
This adorable picture book shows kids how to handle their first-day-of-school nerves through relaxing breathing practices. Kids can use these breathing techniques whenever they feel stressed or anxious. Cute animal characters and the relatable story make this the perfect read-aloud before returning to the classroom.



### [The Crayons Go Back to School](#)

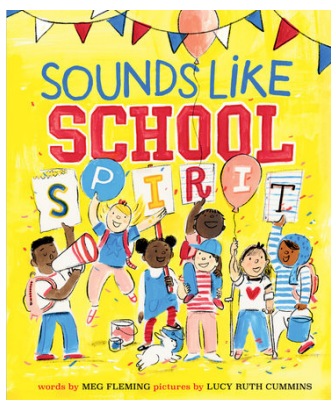
by Drew Daywalt, illustrated by Oliver Jeffers

Your favorite art supplies head back to school in this bestselling picture book! The Crayons take readers through the first day, from picking out their outfits and reuniting with old friends to meeting the teacher and learning new things. Familiar characters and a humorous story make this book a must-read!



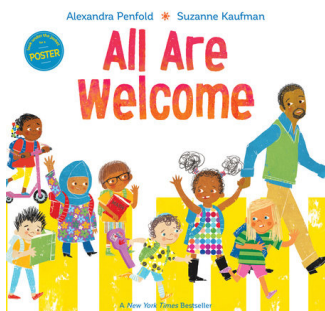
### [How to Get Your Octopus to School](#)

by Becky Scharnhorst, illustrated by Jaclyn Sinquett  
It's time for an octopus to go to school, but the shy sea creature is nowhere to be found. His human friend searches high and low before she finds him, hugs him, and calms his nerves by helping him prepare for the big day. Kids will love searching for the octopus in the illustrations and soaking up octopus facts in the backmatter.



### [Sounds Like School Spirit](#)

by Meg Fleming, illustrated by Lucy Ruth Cummins  
Sounds Like School Spirit is a fun, interactive book that helps build excitement around school and perfectly illustrates the communities that kids create. Told through a series of chants, your little one won't be able to resist cheering along with this book!



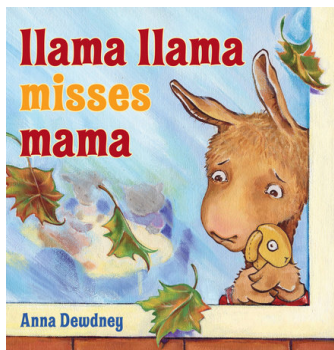
### [All Are Welcome](#) by Alexandra Penfold, illustrated by Suzanne Kaufman

The start of a new school year can be exciting, but for many it can also be a little nerve-wracking. But what if there was a place where every child had a space and where they were loved and appreciated? This is the world that Alexandra Penfold and Suzanne Kaufman have brought to life in this beautiful book about a school where diversity and community are not just protected but celebrated! A great introduction to inclusion and diversity that is perfect for young readers.



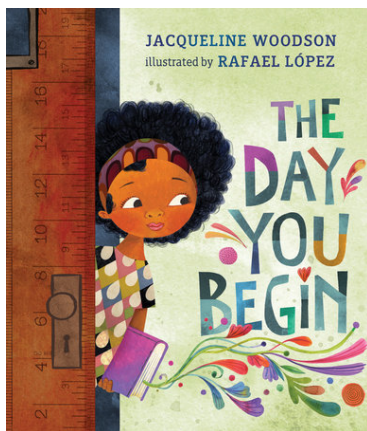
### [The Night Before First Grade](#)

by Natasha Wing, illustrated by Deborah Zemke  
Penny is excited to start the first grade! She has everything planned and can't wait to start the year with her best friend at her side. But things don't always go according to plan. This fun read-aloud book in The Night Before series, is a great story about making new friends and the perfect book for any child dealing with first day jitters.



### [Llama Llama Misses Mama](#)

by Anna Dewdney  
Anyone who has ever had a meltdown at school will appreciate how Llama Llama feels when he starts missing his mama on the first day of school. Thankfully, good friends, a kind teacher, and the knowledge that his mama always comes back will help him get through the day.



### [The Day You Begin](#)

by Jacqueline Woodson, illustrated by Rafael López  
This beautiful picture book helps to celebrate our differences. There is a point in everyone's life when they feel like the outsider, and for many children this happens in school. What this book teaches is that it is our differences that make us truly special, and by reaching out to others we can create lasting bonds. With a poignant message and gorgeous illustrations, The Day You Begin deftly introduces little readers to big concepts like diversity, community, and self-esteem.