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**Route To:** Kindergarten Educators and Administrators  
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## Kindergarten Professional Development Video Resources

New kindergarten resources for educators are available on the Office of Standards [K-3 Early Elementary Alignment](#) webpage. The four new video recordings are focused on topics from the *Kindergarten Implementation Guidelines: Social Emotional Learning (SEL) in Kindergarten; Scheduling the Kindergarten Day; School Structures Supporting High-Quality Kindergarten Programs; and Movement and Engagement in Kindergarten*. These videos, along with PowerPoint presentations and guiding questions, can be utilized to support professional development during professional learning community (PLC) and/or grade-level meetings.

The kindergarten year is critical in laying a strong foundation for the future of every child. The most effective classrooms are facilitated by a teacher who has been presented with many opportunities to engage in professional development about a variety of innovative pedagogical methods. These new resources are designed to support kindergarten educators' learning and can be accessed individually as needed by the field.

### Additional Information

Other resources available on the [K-3 Early Elementary Alignment](#) website include:

- Kindergarten Implementation Guidelines and Resources
- Kindergarten Consortium PowerPoints
- P-3 Approaches to Learning
- P-3 Educator Exemplars and Early Learning Experts Video Library
- First through Third Grade Implementation Guidelines and Resources

### Contact Information

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