

## **Abstract**

The thesis “preparatory classes”: on the theoretical end, a step into a successful start in elementary school aims on acquainting the reader with the preschool age of a child, providing information about school maturity and readiness of children for entry into primary school, and at last, familiarizing the reader with the reasons for suspension of school attendance as well as understanding the significance of preparatory classes under the lead of elementary schools providing them. The objective of this research is to familiarize the reader with one particular preparatory class and that is the one under the conduct of The Elementary School U Říčanského lesa. This diploma thesis is trying to ascertain if this preparatory class is a step to a succesful take -off to elementary school, mapping the overall content of its childrens parents whose children attend this preparatory class. A capabalities test and interview were used to validate the thesis.