First Day of School

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Happy first day to you, my child
Happy first day of school
Happy read and write and run around the playground
Happy first day to you
Happy four, five, six
Happy seven, eight, nine
Happy ten years and more
Happy down the street, up the stairs, cross the hall
Happy in the door

Happy first day to you my child
Happy first day of school
Happy apple for the teacher...will she reach you?
Help you live and breathe the Golden Rule
Happy “x” upon your notebook
Happy “y” this lesson now?
Happy zed and Zuyder Zee
Happy when you’ve read the open book
The world holds out for you
Will you still learn something from me?

Cause I will walk you to the corner
I will see you ‘round the bend
I will wave goodbye a baby
I will welcome home a friend
May I walk you to that corner
May I see you off and then
May I watch until you wave to me
Like I did, way back when?

Happy first day to you my child
Happy first day of school
Happy if at first you don’t succeed then try, try, try
Happy gold star to you
Happy raise your hand up high, so high
And raise your voice in love
Happy exclamation point, happy true, true, true
Happy all of the above, all of the above
Happy first day to you, my love

Happy first day
Happy, happy, happy
Happy first day.