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Addressing Environmental Challenges in Family Child Care Programs

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Highlights common challenges in the family child care learning environment

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Meaningful Makeover Family Child Care Edition

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Makeover Process

1. Asked, "What are your biggest challenges?"
2. Worked together to find a solution.
3. Made over the learning environment in a meaningful way!


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Makeover Benefits

1. Appeals to children and families
2. Promotes access to materials and learning opportunities
3. Increases children's participation
4. Supports children's learning and development through ELOF goals




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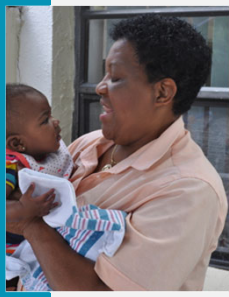


Previous Episode

- Mixed-Age Environment
- Multilingual Program
- Inclusion & Belonging
- Supporting Social-Emotional Learning
- DIY projects




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Today's Episode

- Room arrangement
- Infants and Toddlers
- STEAM Learning
- Books for Literacy and Beyond
- Setting up an Outdoor Environment



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Connect to the ELOF

Interactive Head Start Early Learning Outcomes Framework, Ages Birth to Five
A guide to what children should know and do in five central developmental domains

ELOF2GO
Your Mobile ELOF
Ages Birth to Five

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What are you most excited about?

- Room arrangement
- Infants and Toddlers
- STEAM Learning
- Books for Literacy and Beyond
- Setting up an Outdoor Environment


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Room Arrangement


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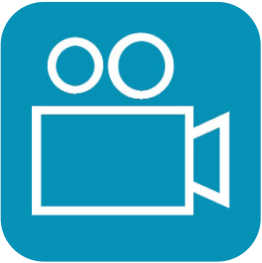


Room Arrangement

- Using the available space
- Maximizing small spaces
- Planning for mixed use areas
- Supervision




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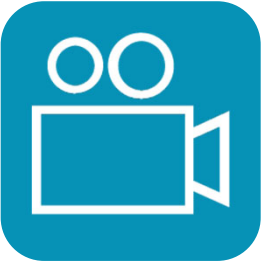


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Room Arrangement




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Video Highlights

- Environment as third teacher
- Defining learning spaces
- Safety



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Connect to the ELOF

- Approaches to Learning
 - Initiative and Curiosity
- **Infants and Toddlers:** Goal IT-ATL 6. Child Demonstrates emerging initiative in interactions, experiences and explorations.
- **Preschool:** Goal P-ATL 11. Child shows interest in and curiosity about the world around them.

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Infants and Toddlers



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Infants and Toddlers

- Providing safe materials
- Appropriate learning opportunities
- Areas that can grow with the infants and toddlers

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Video
Infants and Toddlers



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Video Highlights

- Connect through songs and soft touch
- Materials on low open shelves
- Visuals at child's level
- Promote responsive caregiving with low seating



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Connect to the ELOF

- Social Emotional Development
 - Relationships with Adults
- **Infants and Toddlers:** Goal IT-SE 1. Child develops expectations of consistent, positive interactions through secure relationships with familiar adults.



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STEAM Learning




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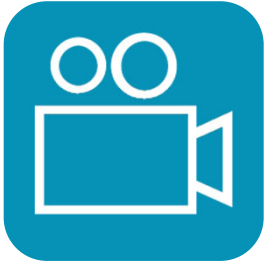

STEAM Learning

- Materials for mixed age group
- Organization
- Safety

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STEAM Learning

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Video Highlights

- Organize to support independence
- Repurpose materials you already have
- Include open-ended materials
- Use boundaries for safety

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Connect to the ELOF

- Approaches to learning
 - Creativity
- **Infants and Toddlers:** Goal IT-ATL 8. Child uses creativity to increase understanding and learning.
- **Preschool:** Goal P-ATL 12. Child expresses creativity in thinking and communication.

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Books for Literacy and Beyond



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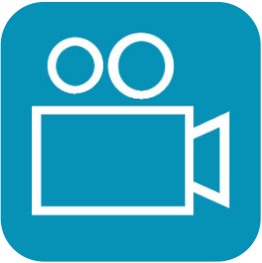


Books for Literacy and Beyond

- Defining a reading area
- Display books
- Provide a variety
- Minimize, store and rotate

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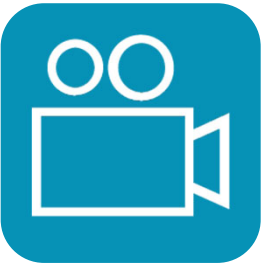


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Books for Literacy and Beyond

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Video Highlights

- Organize books by theme and add labels
- Define reading area and add soft furnishing
- Make books accessible to children

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Connect to the ELOF

- Cognition:
 - Memory and Scientific Inquiry
- **Infants and Toddlers:** Goal IT-C 3. Child recognizes differences between familiar and unfamiliar people, objects, actions, or events.
- **Preschool:** Goal P-SCI 2. Child engages in scientific talk.

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Setting up an Outdoor Environment



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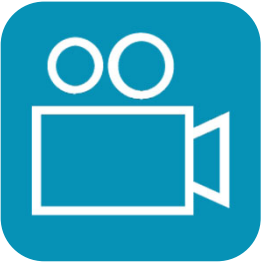


Setting up an Outdoor Environment


- Clothing for children and teachers
- Engaging materials
- Access to handwashing
- Safety

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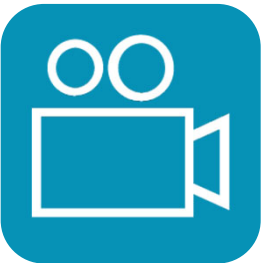
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Setting up and Outdoor Environment




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Video Highlights

- Weather appropriate clothing for everyone
- Explore available natural materials
- Take inside activities outside
- Add an outside sink
- Talk about safety



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Connect to the ELOF

- Approaches to Learning
 - Initiative and Curiosity
- **Infants and Toddlers:** Goal IT-ATL 7. Child shows interest in and curiosity about objects, materials, or events.
- **Preschool:** Goal P-ATL 11. Child shows interest in and curiosity about the world around them.




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Are you feeling inspired to make a change?




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Live Q&A

If you have questions for us, put them in the Q&A and we'll do our best to answer your question!



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