Successful Programming for Babies & Toddlers

Brooke Newberry and Kendra Jones Tuesday, September 22, 12 noon Pacific

Poll Time!

Why do you think we should program for babies and toddlers?

Why Program for Babies and Toddlers?

Community!

Language acquisition!

Literacy skills!

Sensory skills!

All About the Brain



30 million word gap



"A child from a high-income family will experience 30 million more words within the first four years of life than a child from a low-income family." Hart and Risley, 1995

Sensory Experiences!



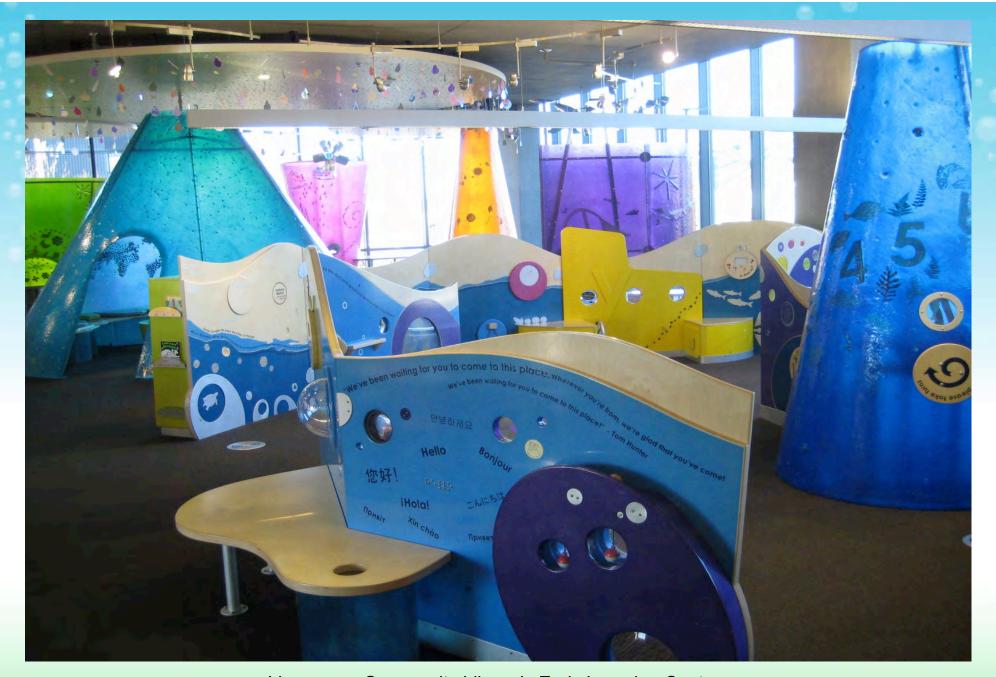




Poll Time!

What is a limitation you face in programming?

- Lack of space?
- Funding?
- Staff?
- Other



Vancouver Community Library's Early Learning Center

This isn't real life.

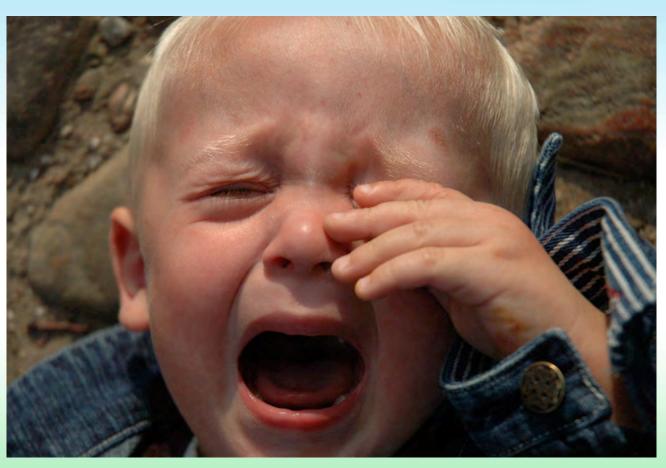
Focus on Play!

Be Brave!

Have fun!

Include other early literacy elements!

"...while experts continue to expound a powerful argument for the importance of play in children's lives, the actual time children spend playing continues to decrease. Today, children play eight hours less each week than their counterparts did two decades ago (Elkind, 2008)."



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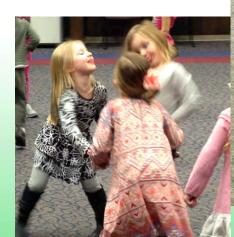




Dance!











Programming in Action No Mess!

Storytime activities!

Special programs!









Table Activities

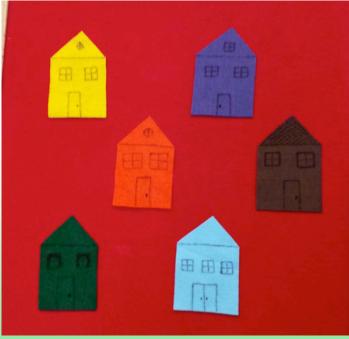






Flannel Games



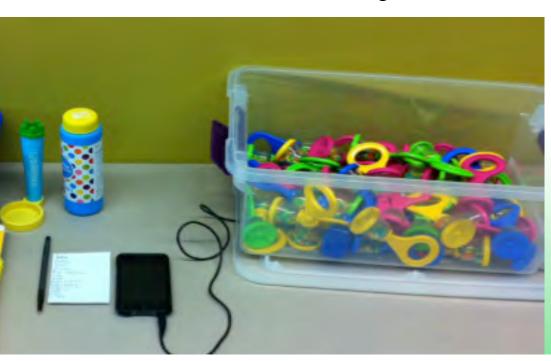








Storytime Set-up













Storytime Toys



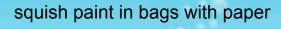














No Mess Painting



tape paint bags to windows or tables

Poll Time!

What is one concern you have about programming for babies & toddlers?

Programming in Action Messy!

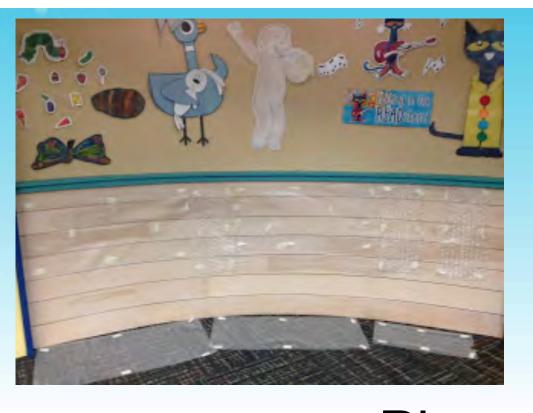
Storytime activities!

Clean up?

Materials?

Special programs!











Family (all ages): Mondays and Thursdays at 2:00 Check the "What's Happening" for all the free

Painting









Paint with

- veggies
- fingers







Poll Time!

Share one idea you can use right away and one you can work towards.

Success

Confidence!

Enthusiasm!

How can you measure it?



Be Silly!

Be Confident!



Success?





Does it work?

Resources











Your turn

What are your questions?

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How do you play?



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