DEVELOPMENTAL DOMAIN 5

Cognitive Development

STANDARDS

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Approaches to Learning

5.0 Demonstrates positive approaches to learning

Engages and sustains attention to age-appropriate tasks

- » Child pays attention and tries to imitate events and effects
- » Child accepts an invitation to participate in an activity and remains involved

5.0.2 Shows eagerness and curiosity for learning Example:

- » Child participates in playing "Peek-a-Boo"
- » Child enjoys taking things apart

5.0.3 Identifies, analyzes, and seeks solutions to problems

Example:

- » Child seeks ways to obtain items out of reach
- » Child keeps looking through a pile of letters for those that are in his/her name

5.0.4 Shows inventiveness: Plans and pursues appropriate activities

» Child uses new tools in familiar activities and experiences

5.0.5 Demonstrates flexibility and adaptability

Example:

- » Child substitutes objects such as a block for a cell phone or a brush for a microphone
- » Child adapts to unexpected change in daily schedule

Creative Expression /

ART 5.1.1 Utilizes a variety of age-appropriate media; handles and cares for tools correctly while using techniques and processes for sensory experience and creative exploration

Example:

- » Child engages in various sensory activities
- » Child plays with playdough, rolling and flattening it to make various shapes

5.1 Creates, interprets, performs and responds to art. drama, practical arts, music and

movement

5.1.2 Uses art to express thoughts and feelings about the environment and community

- » Child uses art materials to create a picture to represent what he/she thinks or feels
- » Child creates a picture showing an environmental issue in his/her community

5.1.3 Describes and explores the characteristics of artwork

Example:

- » Child participates in an art show where his/her art is displayed
- » Child describes the reasoning for the art materials he/she used to create his/her picture

5.1.4 Begins to explore and appreciate new concepts, vocabulary, history and various cultures through art Example:

- » Child makes a piñata and talks about its characteristics and uses
- » Child utilizes various shades of crayons for people's skin color

STANDARDS | BENCHMARKS / Example DRAMA 5.1.5 Responds to dramatic play experiences Example: » Child displays emotional responses in dramatic play » Child imitates simple actions that he/she has seen adults doing 5.1.6 Uses props to explore and create enhancement to imaginative play Example: » Child uses dress-up clothes to re-enact familiar scenarios » Child uses objects in nature for creative play 5.1.7 Participates in dramatic play to express feelings, dramatize stories, and re-enact real-life experience » Child pretends to play house and mimics adults » Child role plays a Bible story and exhibits accurate emotional portrayal 5.1.8 Begins to explore and appreciate history, and various cultures through drama Example: » Child role plays a story read by an adult MUSIC & MOVEMENT 5.1.9 Explores new and various music types, rhythm and musical instruments Example: » Child selects various musical instruments and/or items to make sounds and rhythms 5.1.10 Participates in listening, singing, and performing action songs Example: » Child listens to music individually or in a group » Child imitates the motions to a song 5.1.11 Begins to explore and appreciate history, and various cultures through music and movement Example: » Child plays with instruments from a variety of cultures, such as maracas, rainsticks, etc. » Child explores specific movements of cultural songs 5.1.12 Uses movement and music to express thoughts, feelings, and creativity » Child moves around the room expressing various music styles such as marches and glides PRACTICAL ARTS 5.1.13 Begins to enjoy the process of learning to sew, cook, woodwork, garden, etc. Example: » Child enjoys stirring, mixing, kneading, digging in the dirt, etc. » Child practices skills through dramatic play » Child practices sewing, using sewing cards, etc. 5.1.14 Begins to explore and appreciate the history and various cultures through the practical arts Example: » Child builds a teepee or a log cabin while the teacher talks about First Nations and settlers » Child comments: "I would like to live in an igloo." or "I would like to live in a grass hut." 5.1.15 Responds to practical art experiences, new concepts, and vocabulary

Example:

» Child uses newly learned vocabulary and concepts in preparing a holiday meal

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NUMBERS & OPERATIONS

Mathematics

5.2 Develops in numbers and operations, geometry, spatial sense, patterns and relationships, measurement, and exploring data

Uses mathematical terms and counting in context of daily routines, activities, and play Example:

- » Child practices sequencing through calendar, daily schedule, lining up, counting the days of school to 100, etc.
- » Child practices counting through playing games, such as choosing team members, grouping in patterns and sorting

5.2.2 Uses numbers and counting to analyze quantity and number relationships

» Child counts and distributes the number of items needed for an activity

5.2.3 Begins to identify numbers in print

Example:

- » Child identifies numbers through calendar and birthday activities
- » Child identifies numbers during dramatic play

SPATIAL RELATIONS 5.2.4

Investigates spatial relationships, recognizes two- and three-dimensional shapes and attributes of common shapes

Example:

- » Child assembles a puzzle correctly
- » Child builds a structure with building materials and can identify their shapes

5.2.5 Recognizes, creates, duplicates, and names simple patterns

Example:

- » Child duplicates a place setting around a table
- » Child identifies, classifies, and compares a variety of simple shapes
- » Child creates simple patterns using simple shapes

5.2.6 Explores the various kinds of relationships among objects, events, and actions Example:

- » Child recognizes upcoming events on a schedule
- » Child predicts what will happen when a ball crashes into a block tower

5.2.7 Uses and responds appropriately to positional words

Example:

- » Child determines where to stand in a line according to height
- » Child places items in order of 1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc.

COMPARISONS & 5.2.8 **MEASUREMENTS**

Uses a variety of standard and non-standard means of measurement Example:

- » Child uses his/her own feet to measure the length of an object
- » Child uses a variety of materials to measure

5.2.9 Collects, organizes, categorizes, displays, and uses relevant data Example:

- » Child lines up small toy animals by size
- » Child uses a graph to sort classmates' favorite colors

5.2.10 Develops problem-solving skills through the application of different strategies

- » Child matches shapes in a shape sorter correctly
- » Child successfully assembles a floor puzzle

5.2.11 Begins to understand time in context of daily routines

Example:

- » Child begins to understand the daily schedule of the classroom
- » Child begins to understand what activity comes before or after another

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Science

5.3 Uses scientific methods to experience physical, life, space, and earth sciences

- Explores, collects, inquires, predicts, experiments with, makes discoveries, and describes results about objects, organisms, and events in the environment
 - » Child gathers objects from nature to conduct experiments that will lead to new discoveries
 - » Child collects objects and classifies them
- 5.3.2 Interacts with objects and materials to investigate and describe their physical properties Example:
 - » Child investigates the forms of water (ice, steam, liquid) and makes a prediction
- 5.3.3 Discovers characteristics of living and non-living things
 - » Child identifies living and non-living things by looking at pictures, objects, etc.
 - » Child uses a magnifying glass to investigate living and non-living things, such as, ants, ladybugs, rocks, sticks, etc.
- 5.3.4 Understands that all living things must be cared for Example:
 - » Child participates in growing a plant from a seed
 - » Child helps to care for a classroom pet
- 5.3.5 Participates in activities to preserve the ecosystem Example:
 - » Child helps sort trash for recycling
 - » Child helps to clean up the playground
- 5.3.6 Explores properties of earth and space

Example:

- » Child begins to understand that the earth is round like a ball or a globe
- » Child begins to understand that the sun provides the earth with heat
- 5.3.7 Uses senses and simple tools to learn about objects, observe and explore earth, space, and natural phenomena

Example:

- » Child uses a stick or leaf to pick up and examine an insect
- » Child experiences air currents by blowing on a pinwheel
- 5.3.8 Makes use of opportunities and materials for discussing scientific notions Example:
 - » Child explains what will happen when various objects are placed in water (floating or sinking)
 - » Child analyzes what took place when something unexpected happened (curtain moves with the breeze)

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Social Studies:

5.4 Develops an appreciation of self and others in relationship to social systems, places, economics, civic responsibilities, and events

- Develops an awareness, and sense of belonging and acceptance as a family, classroom, and community Example:
 - » Child demonstrates positive social behaviors while in a group
 - » Child recognizes and greets a familiar person outside his/her family group
- 5.4.2 Recognizes and appreciates the relationship between people of various ages, genders, abilities, cultures, and ethnicity, through varied experiences and materials Example:
 - » Child participates in events such as grandparent's day or international food fairs
 - » Child demonstrates interest in meeting people and hearing stories from various cultures
- 5.4.3 Understands physical features and characteristics of geography Example:
 - » Child recognizes different land formations (mountains, oceans, beaches, etc.)
 - » Child matches different types of houses and clothing to various environments
- 5.4.4 Develops an awareness of the relationship between people, places, and regions
 - » Child identifies other cities or countries where families or friends live
 - » Child understands that sometimes different places have different foods and customs
- 5.4.5 Recognizes the relationship between needs versus wants, supply and demand, and other economic concepts Example:
 - » Child identifies needs as food, clothes, shelter, love, etc.
 - » Child explains that his/her parent works to earn money to buy food
- 5.4.6 Realizes that money is used in exchange of goods and services Example:
 - » Child goes with an adult to the store to purchase items
 - » Child uses play money in the dramatic play center
- Begins to understand social roles and responsibilities in the family, community, 5.4.7 and workplace, through play

Example:

- » Child assists with family chores, e.g., setting the table
- » Child serves as the line leader and others follow
- » Child imitates adult occupations through dramatic play
- 5.4.8 Begins to track events of the past, present, and future Example:
 - » Child tracks events of the past, present, and future through daily calendar routine
 - » Child recalls past events and plans for future events
- 5.4.9 Participates in discussions about fairness, responsibility, differences, friendship, and authority Example:
 - » Child discusses various behaviors as a member of the class family
 - » Child participates in doing classroom chores
 - » Child exhibits fairness to others when following directions
- 5.4.10 Begins to understand how people can affect environments and take positive actions to show care for the classroom and community in which one lives
 - » Child participates in a recycling project
 - » Child helps to keep the classroom orderly

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Technology:

5.5 Begins to develop an awareness of different forms of technology and media

- Begins to understand how different forms of technology and media help people Example:
 - » Child uses an object to pretend he/she is making a video call
 - » Child plays with a calculator or cash register during dramatic play
- 5.5.2 Begins to use appropriately and independently different forms of technology relevant to the young child Example:
 - » Child uses headphones in the listening center
 - » Child manipulates a mouse for the computer
- 5.5.3 Begins to appreciate how technology can enrich classroom learning experiences
 - » Child listens to a story or music on a device
 - » Child participates with the teacher in an interactive lesson (e.g., touch pad)
 - » Child is recorded telling his/her favorite story or family event