

Simple Steps Lead to Great Gains

<p><u>PREPARE</u> for success</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Schedule supports children’s play and minimizes transitions • Space is clean, organized, and easily-observable • Supplies are accessible, ample, varied, and in good repair • Staff has a plan for learning, well-being, and supervision
<p><u>OFFER</u> developmentally- appropriate experiences</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relationship-driven • Play-based • Standard-informed (e.g., GELDS) • Health- and safety-conscious • Language- and literacy-rich • Culturally-representative (accurate, respectful, and valued)
<p><u>WATCH</u> play and development with purpose</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Formative assessment throughout the classroom and the day • Individualized adaptations as needed • Developmental monitoring using reliable tools • Family partnerships that support goal- and strategy-sharing • Lesson planning
<p><u>ENCOURAGE</u> active engagement</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • People are seen, heard, and valued • Environments are warm, welcoming, and safe • Tasks are clear, inviting, and purpose-driven
<p><u>REINFORCE</u> social/emotional development</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Modeling desired and healthy behaviors and attitudes • Teaching vocabulary, awareness and skills • Coaching through planned and unexpected opportunities • Supporting—not punishing—when children struggle • Celebrating efforts and gains

FRAGILE: HANDLE WITH CARE



Packing serves a purpose



Tackle big to-dos via bite-sized targets



Choose to be curious



Lifting together lightens the load