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# Our Approach: Our 38 Objectives

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# **Approach**

Mission

Our 38 Objectives

Advocacy

The 38 research-based objectives are at the heart of everything we do and they define the path teachers take with the children in their classroom.

They inform every aspect of teaching, include predictors of school success, and are aligned with state early learning guidelines and the Head Start Early Learning Outcomes Framework.

Our objectives for development and learning span from birth through third grade. They enable teachers to see children's development and learning along a progression across the whole of the early childhood years.

The objectives cover 10 areas of development and learning, including broad developmental areas, content areas, and English language acquisition. Many objectives also include dimensions that guide teachers' thinking about various aspects of that objective and help clarify what it addresses.

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# LANGUAGE 8. Listens to and understands increasingly complex language a. Comprehends language b. Follows directions 9. Uses language to express thoughts and needs a. Uses an expanding expressive vocabulary b. Speaks clearly c. Uses conventional grammar d. Tells about another time or place 10. Uses appropriate conversational and other communication skills a. Engages in conversations b. Uses social rules of language COGNITIVE 11. Demonstrates positive approaches to learning a. Attends and engages



b. Persists

### LITERACY

- Demonstrates phonological awareness, phonics skills, and word recognition
  - a. Notices and discriminates rhyme
  - b. Notices and discriminates alliteration
  - c. Notices and discriminates discrete units of sound
  - d. Applies phonics rules and knowledge of word structure to decode text
- 16. Demonstrates knowledge of the alphabet
  - a. Identifies and names letters
  - b. Identifies letter-sound correspondences
- 17. Demonstrates knowledge of print and its uses
  - a. Uses and appreciates books and other texts
  - b. Uses print concepts
- 18. Comprehends and responds to books and other texts
  - Interacts during reading experiences, book conversations, and text reflections
  - b. Uses emergent reading skills
  - c. Retells stories and recounts details from informational texts
  - d. Uses context clues to read and comprehend texts
  - e. Reads fluently
- 19. Demonstrates writing skills
  - a. Writes name
  - b. Writes to convey meaning
  - c. Writes using conventions



- 20. Uses number concepts and operations
  - a. Counts
  - b. Quantifies
  - c. Connects numerals with their quantities
  - d. Understands and uses place value and base to
  - Applies properties of mathematical operations and relationships
  - Applies number combinations and mental nur in mathematical operations
- 21. Explores and describes spatial relationships and s
  - a. Understands spatial relationships
  - b. Understands shapes
- 22. Compares and measures
  - a. Measures objects
  - b. Measures time and money
  - c. Represents and analyzes data
- 23. Demonstrates knowledge of patterns

### SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

- 24. Uses scientific inquiry skills
- 25. Demonstrates knowledge of the characteristics o
- 26. Demonstrates knowledge of the physical properti and materials
- 27. Demonstrates knowledge of Earth's environment
- 28. Uses tools and other technology to perform tasks

### SOCIAL STUDIES

- 29. Demonstrates knowledge about self
- 30. Shows basic understanding of people and how the
- 31. Explores change related to familiar people or places
- 32. Demonstrates simple geographic knowledge

### THE ARTS

- 33. Explores the visual arts
- 34. Explores musical concepts and expression
- 35. Explores dance and movement concepts
- 36. Explores drama through actions and language

### **ENGLISH LANGUAGE ACQUISITION**

- Demonstrates progress in listening to and unders English
- 38. Demonstrates progress in speaking English

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