

Social Development

Suggestions for PARENTS



Make the RELATIONSHIP with your child a priority. Be mindful of your own reactions, as they have an impact on your child. Allow them to lean on you when they need help.

Having a caring child starts by being CARED FOR



Use PLAY to guide and direct your child. It will help minimize resistance. This can be done through games, stories, songs and chants.

Engage their DESIRE to follow your lead



Be PATIENT when your child struggles with sharing. This is to be expected developmentally given their limited ability to consider others. Assist challenging situations by finding work arounds.

HELP THEM OUT instead of correcting them



Convey UNDERSTANDING when your child gets into conflicts. Young children get easily triggered emotionally. Don't force apologies until feeling sorry.

A child's success in managing conflict starts with ADULT SUPPORT and MODELING



Provide what your child NEEDS to do their best. Structure, predictability, opportunities for movement and respite are key for children to succeed.

When a child has the 'RIGHT' CONDITIONS, they do better

Younger children's brains are immature and still under construction, which makes the transition to school and 'getting along' quite difficult.
The fruit of development takes time.