

COMPETENCY STATEMENT

To Support Social and Emotional Development and to Provide Positive Guidance.

SELF

As a preschool teacher, I support my children by helping them to identify their own feelings. I encourage and acknowledge every child throughout the day. I observe my children and provide extra support for those children who face extra challenges. I will also provide extra challenges for children who are advancing at a faster rate than their peers. During morning group, I will acknowledge each child individually in front of the group. This will give them an opportunity to talk about events in their lives that are significant to them and give them a chance to voice concerns or feelings.

SOCIAL

In my preschool classroom, I will provide opportunities for the children in my room to partner with children of different cultures and backgrounds when they work in groups. I will help my children communicate with their friends during cooperative play and I will work with them to use sharing words such as “May I please have that?” or “No, thank you. I’m not done yet”. I will help them develop empathy for their peers by guiding them in identifying what they are feeling during a conflict. This will show them that they are more similar to them than they are different and will ideally help avoid future conflict.