KOCO Child Care Center

KOCOMotions

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Summer is Nearly Here

This is a great time to bring in sunscreen and swap out your child's extra clothes (shorter sleeves, larger sizes). Hoses and splashpad are back in service, so send in bathing suits, water shoes and towels. Also send in water bottles for outdoor play!

I dig being outside!

Colorful sensory

Block besties

EHHS Junior/Senior Prom

Upcoming Events

June 5
Installment 3 of 3 due
KOCO Summer Camp 2026
Deadline for returning students to enroll

June 9
Board of Directors Meeting
6:00-7:00 pm room 101

June 12
EHHS Graduation

June 16
Bounce House

June 18
Preschool Graduation
Sears Park 6:00-7:00 pm
(rain date: June 17)

June 19
Public Schools last day
Early Dismissal

June 19
Donuts with Dads
KOCO front hallway

June 22
KOCO Summer Program begins

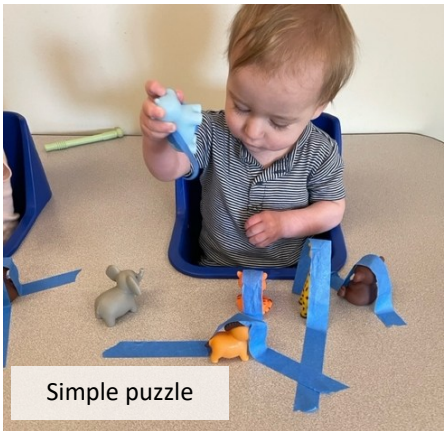
Garden besties

To our neighbors at American Distilling for the generous donation of witch hazel mulch!

Froggy flannelboard

Circrobatics

Story Kitchen



Simple puzzle

Circrobatics

I'd like s'more, please

Foil painting

Lemons & limes

Release the ladybugs!

Reading al fresco

Whee!

Helping Children Transition Between Activities

For some young children, moving from one activity to another (e.g., playing with toys to dinner time, playing outside to bath time, watching a movie to brushing teeth), results in confusion, frustration, or challenging behaviors. Adults can help children predict what is coming next which helps make transitions smoother.

Strategies to Support Transitions

Use a timer
(e.g., Show timer and say, "5 minutes of play and then dinner.").

Provide a verbal warning that one activity is going to end and another is going to begin (e.g., "We'll finish this book, then brush our teeth and go to bed.").

Ask your child if they would like to bring a transition object or toy with them (e.g., "How about truck comes in the car with us? I bet he would live to sit next to your car seat!").

Use first/then language (e.g., "First clean up your dishes, then we can play blocks together." or "First wash your hair, then play in the bath.").

Use visual supports.

- visual schedule
- first/then board
- cue cards

Download instructions and templates at: https://challengingbehavior.cbcs.usf.edu/docs/Routine_cards_home.pdf

Make the transition fun!
(e.g., If you need to leave the park, try these: "We can skip to the car.", or "Ride on daddy's shoulders to the car.").

Sing a silly or familiar song; most children love music and songs. Use technology to help you get creative. Many personal devices and applications will play clean up songs (e.g., Alexa, Spotify, etc.) and YouTube has many transition songs and videos available for preschool children to help you!

Give your child a job to do during the transition. Children like to be helpers! Your child can:

- put napkins on the table while you get ready for dinner;
- put all the shoes away when you get home; or
- be the "checker" who makes sure everyone has their backpacks before going to school.

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