



## Alignment to the School Readiness Goals for Infants and Toddlers in Head Start and Early Head Start Programs

The following references are examples of teaching in the Little InvestiGators™ Infant and Toddler Program that align to the School Readiness Goals for Infants and Toddlers in Head Start and Early Head Start Programs.

### Social and Emotional Development

<b>Goal 1: Children will develop and engage in positive relationships and interactions with adults.</b>	
<b>Baby InvestiGators Play and Grow Cards:</b> 21 Who's That? 22 Hush Now, Baby 23 Gurgle, Coo, I'm Listening to You 24 Walk and Talk 25 Toy Store 26 I See Baby! 76 Read It, Show It 97 Tummy to Tummy 174 Scavenger Hunt 175 Big Hug, Small Hug	<b>InvestiGator Tots Play and Grow Cards:</b> 204 Time for Bed 213 Bedtime for Bears 248 Friendship Match 266 Work Buddies 292 Zoo Groove! 300 Catch, Friend! 321 Neat and Tidy 324 Plates Are Circles 398 Garden Club 397 Jump Rope Tangle 464 How Many Hugs?
<b>Goal 2: Children will begin to develop personal relationships with peers.</b>	
<b>Baby InvestiGators Play and Grow Cards:</b> 79 Fuzzy Bear 80 Paper Mobile 81 1, 2, 3, Boing! 98 Do You See Who I See? 100 Your Friend Hops! 176 Here Are My Eyes! 177 See Me 179 Puppy to the Rescue 180 Construction Crew 181 Musical Jam 182 Parade Day	<b>InvestiGator Tots Play and Grow Cards:</b> 262 Take a Turn! 263 That One, Please 264 Share a Hug 266 Work Buddies 267 Zookeepers 268 Flower Faces 299 Tunnel Explorer 300 Catch, Friend! 368 Show Kindness 370 Talk It Out 371 What's In a Smile? 395 Two By Two 396 Chalk Patrol 397 Jump Rope Tangle 400 On the Job

<b>Goal 3: Children will begin to develop and demonstrate control over some of their feelings and behaviors (self-regulation).</b>	
<b>Baby InvestiGators Play and Grow Cards:</b> 27 Shiny Hands and Face 78 Such a Dear One 99 We Can Stop 121 It's OK! 122 Naptime 123 Snug-as-a-Bug 124 The Hiding Game 178 Our Happy Puppy	<b>InvestiGator Tots Play and Grow Cards:</b> 217 The Cleanup Song 218 Blow a Kiss 219 Instant Freeze 220 Special Spot 265 Circle Time 323 Be a Star 324 Plates Are Circles 369 Shining Sunbeams 372 We Work It Out 373 Ready, Set, Crow! 374 A Spot for Me 399 Step Right Up! 419 Sidewalk Talk 420 Please, Casey 470 On Our Own 472 Show Your Feelings 473 Are You Sunny Yellow?
<b>Goal 4: Children will begin to learn and internalize rules, routines, and directions.</b>	
<b>Baby InvestiGators Play and Grow Cards:</b> 27 Shiny Hands and Face 78 Such a Dear One 99 We Can Stop 121 It's OK! 122 Naptime 123 Snug-as-a-Bug 124 The Hiding Game 178 Our Happy Puppy	<b>InvestiGator Tots Play and Grow Cards:</b> 216 Stop, Sit, and Share 217 The Cleanup Song 220 Special Spot 302 Pick It Up, Out It Away 322 Neat and Tidy 323 Be a Star 324 Plates Are Circles 372 We Work It Out 373 Ready, Set, Crow! 419 Sidewalk Talk 420 Please, Casey
<b>Goal 5: Children will begin to develop and demonstrate a positive sense of self, competence, and an identity that is rooted in their family and culture.</b>	
<b>Baby InvestiGators Play and Grow Cards:</b> 75 Name Games 77 Sing, Wiggle, Walk 96 It's Nice Outside 171 Show a Feeling 172 Look in the Mirror 173 Family Photo Album 200 Collecting Nature's Gifts	<b>InvestiGator Tots Play and Grow Cards:</b> 215 I Am Special 216 Stop, Sit, and Share 257 Faces & Feelings 258 A Story About Me 259 We Are All Here! 260 Neighborhood Album 261 Doll's Day Out 297 Field Day Fun 298 Explorer Go-Go 322 Neat and Tidy 364 Match the Feeling 365 What's for Dinner?

<p><b>Each Play and Grow Card has a short Family Time activity to encourage both academic and social and emotional development at home.</b></p>	<p>366 The Emotion Show  367 Paint a Forest  393 Game Walk  394 Swing Set Memories  418 Help-a-Lot  457 You Can Choose!  458 Friendship Puzzles  459 Where We Go  460 I See Me  461 What Does It Show?  462 Artistic License  463 Taking Care of Baby  465 All Kinds of Characters  466 Just Like Little Critter  467 Brag Bag  468 Little Artists  469 Hip Hoorah Holiday  471 My Special Book  474 Family Slideshow</p> <p><b>Each Play and Grow Card has a short Family Time activity to encourage both academic and social and emotional development at home.</b></p>
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## Approaches Toward Learning

<p><b>Goal 1: Children will demonstrate interest, curiosity, and eagerness in exploring the world around them.</b></p>	
<p><b>Baby InvestiGators Play and Grow Cards:</b></p> <p>19 Choose a Toy  69 Light Show  70 What’s That Sound?  72 Alike and Different  73 Gone Fishin’  119 Yummy, Yucky  166 Ramp It Up  167 Sprinkle, Sprinkle</p>	<p><b>InvestiGator Tots Play and Grow Cards:</b></p> <p>253 Cardboard Cubby  254 Two Together  295 Storytelling Basket  298 Explorer Go-Go  310 Weather Watchers  318 Free Choice Time  350 Natural Scientists  357 Rubber Duckies  362 Box Blocks  385 Bird Watchers  417 Good Morning Song  456 Dozing Dolly</p>
<p><b>Goal 2: Children will demonstrate persistence in learning and discovery.</b></p>	
<p><b>Baby InvestiGators Play and Grow Cards:</b></p> <p>71 Pass and Play  94 Roll It, Pat It  164 Block Demolition  165 Watch What Happens</p>	<p><b>InvestiGator Tots Play and Grow Cards:</b></p> <p>209 Rainbow Shoes  214 Potty Party  255 Lacing Boards  319 I Can Do It!</p>

168 Rowing the Boat 180 Construction Crew 199 Ruf, Ruf, Reach	392 Confident Climbers 435 For the Birds 468 Little Artists 487 Trike Course 490 Jumping Beans 498 Outdoor Choice Time 499 Traveling Water
<b>Goal 3: Children will learn and use words to describe what they are thinking and doing.</b>	
<b>Baby InvestiGators Play and Grow Cards:</b> 30 Who Is This? 31 Can You Shake It? 32 Where Is . . . ? 34 Sing a Silly Song 35 Pat with Me 36 Back and Forth 82 What Do You See? 83 Hello, Hello 103 Yes or No? 104 The Hello Song 125 Pat-a-Cake 127 Hold It, Say It 183 What We See 185 Chat with Me	<b>InvestiGator Tots Play and Grow Cards:</b> 201 One Cracker, Two Crackers 221 Name That Toy 224 Daily Wrap-Up 271 What Are You Doing? 272 Toy Hunt 301 That's My Name! 325 What Is It? 327 Say It Loud! 329 The Animal Game 330 Meet My Family 331 What's the Word? 422 Memory Lane 424 Stop and Talk 425 My Name is Joe 426 This is Me! 427 My Story 478 Nature Talk 479 Talk and Play 480 Soft, Slimy, Sticky 481 Ask Me a Question

## Language and Literacy Development

<b>Goal 1: Children will demonstrate receptive and expressive language skills and communication strategies in their home language/s (may be English or other language/s).</b>	
<b>Baby InvestiGators Play and Grow Cards:</b> 1 Talk with Me 2 Do You Want? 6 Rattle Play 28 Where's the Beat? 29 Wave to Me 33 Reading with Feeling 101 More, Please! 102 Where Are You? 105 What'll I Do with Baby? 126 Pick a Book 128 Face Time 184 Time to Shine	<b>InvestiGator Tots Play and Grow Cards:</b> 204 Time for Bed 222 Please Stand Up 223 Clap, Jump, Touch! 229 Animal Sounds 269 Go to It! 270 Animal Parade 273 Marching Ants 302 Pick It Up, Put It Away 326 Act It Out 328 Listening Station 375 The Hokey Pokey 401 Let's Put It Away 402 Transition Signals

<p><b>See also the Dual Language activities on the back of the Play and Grow Cards.</b></p>	<p>421 Simon Says 423 What Happens Next?</p> <p><b>See also the Dual Language activities on the back of the Play and Grow Cards.</b></p>
<p><b>Goal 2:</b> Children will understand and begin to use oral language for conversation and communication.</p>	
<p><b>Baby InvestiGators Play and Grow Cards:</b></p> <p>30 Who Is This? 31 Can You Shake It? 32 Where Is . . . ? 34 Sing a Silly Song 35 Pat with Me 36 Back and Forth 82 What Do You See? 83 Hello, Hello 103 Yes or No? 104 The Hello Song 125 Pat-a-Cake 127 Hold It, Say It 183 What We See 185 Chat with Me</p>	<p><b>InvestiGator Tots Play and Grow Cards:</b></p> <p>201 One Cracker, Two Crackers 221 Name That Toy 224 Daily Wrap-Up 271 What Are You Doing? 272 Toy Hunt 301 That’s My Name! 325 What Is It? 327 Say It Loud! 329 The Animal Game 330 Meet My Family 331 What’s the Word? 422 Memory Lane 424 Stop and Talk 425 My Name is Joe 426 This is Me! 427 My Story 478 Nature Talk 479 Talk and Play 480 Soft, Slimy, Sticky 481 Ask Me a Question</p>
<p><b>Goal 3:</b> Children will hear and distinguish the sounds and rhythms of language.</p>	
<p><b>Baby InvestiGators Play and Grow Cards:</b></p> <p>5 Transition Tunes 38 Copy Cat 106 Tummy Taps 125 Pat-a-Cake 131 Fill in the Blank 137 Rhythm and Rhyme</p>	<p><b>InvestiGator Tots Play and Grow Cards:</b></p> <p>202 Rhyme Around the Circle 203 Rhyming Routines 228 Storm Sounds 275 Vroom! Vroom! 326 Act It Out 336 Sss, Sss, Snake! 403 The Name Game Song</p>
<p><b>Goal 4:</b> Children will begin to learn and demonstrate how print works.</p>	
<p><b>Baby InvestiGators Play and Grow Cards:</b></p> <p>3 Take Note 39 Paper Play 129 I Write, You Write 134 What’s Under There? 135 Books to Touch 136 Songs in Books 137 Rhythm and Rhyme</p>	<p><b>InvestiGator Tots Play and Grow Cards:</b></p> <p>225 Rebus Rhymes 226 Imitation Creations 227 Chalk Changes 274 Connect the Rocks 303 Learning Labels 304 Lunchtime Letters 332 Floor Art 333 Information Station 334 Magnet Match</p>

	335 Name That Drawing 429 Art Gallery 430 Bedtime for Teddy 431 Letter Race 433 Tell a Story 445 Merry Mail 482 Drive-Through
<b>Goal 5: Children will engage with stories and books.</b>	
<b>Baby InvestiGators Play and Grow Cards:</b>	<b>InvestiGator Tots Play and Grow Cards:</b>
4 This Little Piggy 37 I See a . . . 39 Paper Play 84 Rhythm Sticks 85 Book Picnic 106 Tummy Taps 130 Apple Tree 132 Picture Hunt 133 Bright Sun 134 What’s Under There? 135 Books to Touch 136 Songs in Books 137 Rhythm and Rhyme 153 Story Time	225 Rebus Rhymes 276 Outdoor Q & A 295 Storytelling Baskets 303 Learning Labels 304 Lunchtime Letters 305 Waiting, Waiting 333 Information Station 335 Name That Drawing 337 Sing Along! 338 Listening Station 358 Come Read with Me! 428 Reader Response 430 Bedtime for Teddy 432 Character Puppets 433 Tell a Story 434 Book Buddies 491 Community Garden

## Cognition and General Knowledge

<b>Goal 1: Children will learn and begin to use math concepts during daily routines and experiences.</b>	
<b>Baby InvestiGators Play and Grow Cards:</b>	<b>InvestiGator Tots Play and Grow Cards:</b>
12 See and Touch Shapes 63 Elephant Song 64 Ten Little Monkeys 68 Round and Square 116 Snack Time Counting 138 Kitchen Puzzles 159 Two Little Muffins 197 Beanbag Toss	209 Rainbow Shoes 212 Fruit Pops 241 Sort It Out 243 Make a Pair 248 Friendship Match 250 Big, Little Build 317 Grape Gobblers 324 Plates Are Circles 329 The Animal Game 339 Shape Sorting 340 Tower Trials 350 Natural Scientists 351 Veterinarian Corner 357 Rubber Duckies 361 Ducks on Lily Pads

	390 Stair Stepper! 451 Stacking Tall 464 How Many Hugs? 493 Hula-Hoop Sort
<b>Goal 2:</b> Children will use all of their senses to investigate their environment to discover what objects and people do, how things work, and how they can make things happen.	
<b>Baby InvestiGators Play and Grow Cards:</b> 14 Friendly Faces 56 Reach and Rattle 57 Look at Me! 58 Again! 68 Round and Square 90 See, Shake, and Hear 113 Sounds to Go! 149 Explore and Examine 150 Treasure Hunt 151 Silly Sound Wall 164 Block Demolition 165 Watch What Happens 196 Chug-a-Choo	<b>InvestiGator Tots Play and Grow Cards:</b> 208 Nature Time! 209 Rainbow Shoes 241 Sort It Out 242 Baby Bubble Bath 243 Make a Pair 244 Park the Car 286 Plant Hunt 287 Waterfall 310 Weather Watchers 311 Zip! Zoom! Zing! 350 Natural Scientists 351 Veterinarian Corner 385 Bird Watchers 386 Road Trip 411 The Season Tree 444 Sea Creature Sift 445 Merry Mail 491 Community Garden
<b>Goal 3:</b> Children will begin to develop and demonstrate the ability to remember and connect new and known experiences and information.	
<b>Baby InvestiGators Play and Grow Cards:</b> 15 Goodnight, Friends 16 Chatter and Coo 59 Family Story Time 60 Peek-a-Boo Box 63 Elephant Song 91 HI, Neighbor 92 Where Is Buddy? 114 Cleanup Time! 115 Outdoor Gear 152 That's Me! 153 Story Time 154 Pick-up Pop-up 155 Hungry Puppet	<b>InvestiGator Tots Play and Grow Cards:</b> 210 Morning Checklist 211 Picture Perfect Placemats 245 Growing, Changing 246 Weather Report 247 Hide and Peep! 288 Moo, Moo, Quack! 289 A Place for Puggles 312 Picture Perfect 313 Hoop Time 353 Tip Me Over 354 Finding Fido 359 3-D Map 387 Wiggledy-Woo 388 Mud Pie Play 412 Mealtime Melody 413 Set-Up Duty 446 Wee Workspace 447 Storytellers 448 Alphabet Hunt 494 Garden Helpers

## Physical Development and Health

<b>Goal 1: Children will develop control of large muscles for movement, navigation, and balance.</b>	
<b>Baby InvestiGators Play and Grow Cards:</b> 40 Roll and Stretch 46 Crinkle Crawl 48 Flag Fun 51 Walk with Me 52 Rock and Sing 53 Move to the Rhythm 54 Circle of Objects 55 Knock Them Down! 86 Kick and Splash 88 Look Up! 89 Roll Over! 111 Sing “Out” 139 Animal Taxi 141 Baby Basketball 143 Exploration Station 145 Math the Puppet 146 If You’re Happy 147 Shake, Rattle, Tap 148 Treasure Box 187 Walk About 191 Picking Up Paw-Paws 193 Streamer Play 194 Push and Pull 195 Nature Walk/Crawl	<b>InvestiGator Tots Play and Grow Cards:</b> 236 Weeble Wobble 237 Scarf Dancing 238 Pillow Walk 239 Tunnel Adventure 277 Kick Ball 278 Jungle Walk 280 Delivery Service 284 Freeze! 285 Mountain Climbers 309 Head and Shoulders 338 Show Me Your . . . 343 Fort Fun 346 Balloon Bounce 376 Goal! 378 Walk the Line 379 Passenger Pals 381 Special Delivery 382 Balance Beam Maze 383 Bear’s Stairs 384 Marching Band 404 Clean Hands Club 410 Snack Helpers 437 Beanbag Tricks 438 Bunny Hop 483 Cup Tower Target 486 Red Light, Green Light 487 Trike Course 488 Skee-Ball 490 Jumping Beans
<b>Goal 2: Children will develop control of small muscles for manipulation and exploration.</b>	
<b>Baby InvestiGators Play and Grow Cards:</b> 9 Super Sippers 12 See and Touch Shapes 41 Shake It Up 42 Tug-a-Lug 44 Whoopsie Daisy! 45 This One or That One? 47 Follow the Finger 50 Pick Up Practice 138 Kitchen Puzzles 142 Little Artists 144 Fabric Pull 186 Flower Garden 188 Bubbles, Bubbles, Everywhere	<b>InvestiGator Tots Play and Grow Cards:</b> 230 Where Is Thumpkin? 233 Soft Landings 235 Foam Painting 279 Sponge Fun 281 Car Wash 282 Pudding Paint 283 Rainbow Rice 339 Shape Sorting 340 Tower Trails 344 Cut the Dough 348 Window Art 349 Clothespin Challenge 380 Tube Ball



189 Little Squirt	409 Pick a Hand
190 Color Cubes	435 For the Birds
192 Bowling	436 Personalized Puzzles
	439 If You Build It . . .
	440 Tea Party
	441 Treasure Bags
	443 Colander Creations
	484 Spray and Play
	489 Water Painting
<b>Goal 3: Children will learn and begin to demonstrate healthy and safe habits.</b>	
<b>Baby InvestiGators Play and Grow Cards:</b>	<b>InvestiGator Tots Play and Grow Cards:</b>
7 Signal Log	205 Taking a Trip
8 See, Say, and Sign	206 Point and Pick
10 Hold On!	207 The Getting Dressed Song
10 Hold On!	231 Where Is Your Nose?
11 The Bottle Song	232 Teddy Bear Picnic
13 Hungry Me!	234 Stir It Up
43 Four Corners	306 Pearly Whites
49 Texture Crawl	307 Pre-Potty Prep
87 Out for a Stroll	308 The Farmer in the Dell
107 Point to It!	341 Healthy Choices
108 Finger Foods	342 My Baby
109 Wash Up!	345 Stop Your Feet!
110 Bundle Up	347 Dressing Boards
140 Mirror, Mirror	377 Let It Roll
	406 Germ Busters
	407 The Crossing Song
	408 Flip It
	442 Which Part?
	485 Work It Out!