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Jumpstart Sessions – Adult Child Interactions

1) Adults create a warm and caring atmosphere for children.
2) Adults participate as partners in children's play.
3) Adults use a variety of strategies to encourage and support child language and communication.
4) Adults demonstrate effective reading strategies with children.
5) Adults provide opportunities for children to explore and use materials at their own developmental level and pace.
6) Adults encourage and provide opportunities for child choice and initiative.
7) Adults encourage and support children to solve problems with materials and do things for themselves.
8) Adults use classroom management strategies that respect children’s input and encourage children to resolve conflicts.

Jumpstart Sessions – Environment & Routine

1) Adults integrate language and literacy activities throughout the classroom and session.
2) Adults integrate language and literacy materials throughout the classroom environment.
3) Adults establish a consistent session routine and effectively support children in moving through the routine.
4) Adults plan and initiate activities (e.g. for large/small group learning experiences) that incorporate the active learning ingredients of materials, manipulation, and choice.

Team Planning

1) Team members use a systematic and thorough process for curriculum planning and create a documented lesson plan.
2) Team members show consideration of children’s individual interests or needs by using observations of children to plan for Jumpstart sessions.
3) Team members work collaboratively and share responsibility and leadership.
4) The meeting is thorough, well-organized, and effectively facilitated.

Family Involvement

1) Corps members are building strong positive relationships with families.
2) Teams use strategies to communicate effectively with families and collaborate in supporting children’s learning.

Site Management

1) Site staff supports Team Leaders and Corps members in delivering high-quality services to children through ongoing training and feedback.
2) Site staff plan for and deliver high-quality trainings for Team Leaders and Corps members.
3) Site staff successfully implements Corps member recruitment, support CMs’ completion of service hours, and achieve high rates of CM graduation.
4) Site staff provides Corps members and Team Leaders with systematic supervision and support, consistent and responsive management, and clear ongoing communication.
5) Site staff fosters Corps member morale, leadership, and esprit de corps.
6) Site staff effectively manages required administrative tasks, including Corps member hours, enrollment status, and Corps member files.
7) Site staff supports implementation of a high-quality family involvement program that meets national guidelines as well as site-specific needs.
8) Site staff effectively manages high-quality program partner relationships.
9) Site staff effectively manages university relations to ensure sustainability and success of the Jumpstart program on campus.
10) Site staff effectively plans and executes high-quality volunteer engagement program.
11) Site staff effectively manages corporate, community, and public relations activities and relationships in line with Jumpstart guidelines.
12) The site participates fully in and contributes to its region and the Jumpstart network.

In addition, Jumpstart’s AmeriCorps Compliance Tool is used to monitor compliance to AmeriCorps fiscal & administrative grant provisions. This tool can be found in the Jumpstart Site Management Binder, AmeriCorps chapter.