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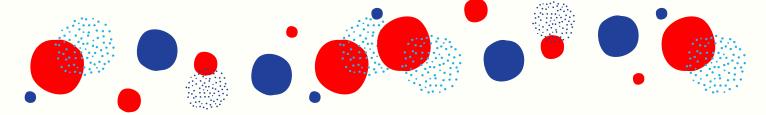
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## Concerned About Your Child's Development?

Developmental Screenings Help Our Littlest Learners



Early Learning Coalition of Broward County



### Developmental Milestones

Developmental Screening and Resources for Developmental Delays

By Allison Metsch, Senior Director of Quality & Education, Broward ELC

- What is developmentally appropriate for my child? When your child does things like taking their first steps, smiling and saying their first words, those skills are called developmental milestones. We get excited and can't wait to share their progress with the world. In the first years of life, a child's development explodes in how they talk, walk, think, and play.
- Since every child develops at their own pace and their own time, sometimes we may notice that a skill is not
  developing. Your child may walk and run but hasn't started talking just yet. You may wonder why. You may
  wonder if it is worth mentioning to a friend or your pediatrician. You may wonder and want to ask someone
  that has experience in child development and is not in your family.
- When you know what to expect from children at different ages, we can do more to support their development
  of new skills and to have realistic expectations for their behavior.
- You are your child's first teacher and you know your child best so if you have a concern or a question there are things to do. For all Broward's children we have the Warm Line. The **Warm Line** will provide you with a warm listener that can guide you with questions about your child. Please call **(954) 295-0672.**
- For families that receive School Readiness for child care, you can participate in an Ages and Stages
   Questionnaire. This is a screening and can help you determine whether or not your child is reaching their
   developmental milestones in the recommended time or may be a in need of extra support. Screening
   provides a quick snapshot of a child's health and developmental status and indicates whether further
   evaluation is needed.
- Evaluation is a longer process that helps parents and schools determine whether a child has a disability. It looks at the child's strengths and needs. It may examine cognitive, academic, behavioral, physical, and other developmental factors.
- Don't wait. Acting early can make a real difference!
- Contact ELC's Debbie Kay, for guidance on developmental milestones, challenging behavior, and referrals for evaluations. dkay@elcbroward.org or (954) 295-0672
- For more information on milestones at specific ages, please visit https://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/actearly/milestones/index.html

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