Frog Street Infant Program

Program Features
- Uses early brain development research as the cornerstone of instruction.
- Provides intentional activities and support in five developmental domains; language, cognitive, social, emotional, and physical.
- Offers child development tips and strategies with each activity.
- Encourages caregiver and child interactions to develop rich oral language and vocabulary as well as strong social and emotional connections.
- Offers age appropriate activities to meet little ones’ diverse needs and abilities.
- Provides materials and strategies for maintaining healthy parent partnerships.
- Provides professional development through relevant classroom scenarios.
- Includes bilingual materials and instruction.
- Embraces the joy of learning each day!

Cornerstones
  1. The brain of a three year old is two and half times more active than an adult.
  2. Experience wires the brain.
  3. Brain development is a complex interplay between genes and the environment.
  4. Relationships affect the wiring of the brain.
  5. Brain development is non-linear.

- Intentional Instruction (Epstein, 2007, Ramey, 1999)
  1. Development promoting activities for each domain
  2. Adaptations for age and ability levels
  3. Activities build from easier to more complex.

- Conscious Discipline™ (Bailey, 2001, 2011)
  1. Brain Smart Way to Start the Day
  2. Focus on social and emotional concepts and vocabulary; kind words, helpful hands, and using kind words.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Window</th>
<th>Wiring Opportunity</th>
<th>Greatest Enhancement</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Emotional Intelligence</td>
<td>0 - 48 months</td>
<td>4 years to puberty</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Trust</td>
<td>0 – 14 months</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Impulse Control</td>
<td>16 - 48 months</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Social Development</td>
<td>0 - 48 months</td>
<td>4 years to puberty</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Attachment</td>
<td>0 – 12 months</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Independence</td>
<td>18 - 36 months</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cooperation</td>
<td>24 - 48 months</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thinking Skills</td>
<td>0 - 48 months</td>
<td>4 years to puberty</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cause and Effect</td>
<td>0 – 16 months</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Problem-Solving</td>
<td>16 - 48 months</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Motor Development</td>
<td>0 - 24 months</td>
<td>2 years to puberty</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Language Development</td>
<td>0 - 24 months</td>
<td>2- 7 years</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Early Sounds</td>
<td>4 - 8 months</td>
<td>8 months to puberty</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Vocabulary</td>
<td>0 - 24 months</td>
<td>2- 5 years</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Program Components

Welcome Guide
264 Activity Cards
   Activity Cards
      0-3 months: 40 cards (10 cards per domain)
      3-6 months: 40 cards (10 cards per domain)
      6-12 months: 80 cards (20 cards per domain)
      12-18 months: 104 cards (26 cards per domain)

10 Folding Photo Sleeves (to hold domain activity cards)
Lily Puppet
16 Board Books
24 Infant Photo Cards (Body Parts, Toys, Animals, Foods, Clothes)
Photo Card Holder and Mirror Easel
3 CDs
   Frog Street Baby Songs (in English and Spanish)
   Frog Street Baby Games (English only)
Manipulatives
   Easy-grip ball
   Music makers (bells, rattles, tambourines)
   Pocket Cube
   Two Peeper Puppets
   Bean Bags

Caregiver Components
   12 (11" x 17") full-color wall posters for classroom display (English one side/Spanish other)
   24 reproducible parent cards (also available in Spanish)
   Developmental checklists organized by domains
   Professional Development videos
   Reproducibles on online portal

References


Web Pages:
http://www.zerotothree.org  
http://www.naeyc.org