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LIVE BETTER. LIVE UNITED.
at **UWA EARLY HEAD START**

LEARNING AT HOME

United Way of Acadiana Early Head Start believes that early childhood education is key to success in school and in life. Our partnership with families is the foundation for Early Head Start and during this critical time, parent-child interactions will be the cornerstone of learning at home. The coronavirus has impacted our education system and has altered our ability to educate in a traditional way. But, we believe the learning can continue. EHS has created an educational plan that provides parents with simple, yet effective ways to teach their child at home. We encourage you to do these activities with your child, dedicate time to learning and we want you to make it FUN!

MONDAY

LITERACY

- Use sound strategies to tackle a new word.
- Use the story to help your child learn.
- Give support and encouragement.



TUESDAY

SILLY ANIMAL WALK

- During transitions between activities, invite children to copy you as you move like an animal.
- Use the following instructions as you demonstrate each movement. Let's pretend to be puppies today. Let's crawl around and pick up all the toys. [Use for cleanup time.] Let's pretend to be big hairy apes and walk to the door on all fours. (Use for going outdoors)

WEDNESDAY

DRESS UP PLAY

- Give your child a box of simple dress-up clothes and accessories such as hats, gloves, shoes, etc. Make sure your child has a mirror nearby while playing
- Encourage your child to choose a few items to wear. Talk about the items she chooses. You are wearing Daddy's red hat! It looks nice with your blue shoes.



THURSDAY

CREATE A SCHEDULE

- Accommodate the age and individual needs of the children.
- Include outdoor time, both structured and unstructured, every day.
- Incorporate at least two large blocks of time for child-directed learning.
- Maximize opportunities to talk, play, and read with your children.

FRIDAY

NOGGIN CARES LEARNING

The Department of Education has partnered with Noggin, Nickelodeon's learning service for children age 2 and above, to offer a free, three-month subscription to families. The app is loaded with read-aloud e-books, learning games, songs, and other engaging content. It also provides ideas for off-screen family activities, and it provides special content to help young children cope during this time. Make your account at <https://www.noggin.com/noggin-cares-louisiana/?step=sign-up>

