

Curriculum Share

DRDP Measure:

PD-HLTH 4: Fine Motor Manipulative Skills Child demonstrates increasing precision, strength, coordination, and efficiency when using muscles of the hand for play and functional tasks*

ATL-REG 1: Attention Maintenance Child develops the capacity to pay attention to people, things, or the environment when interacting with others or exploring play materials

Age Group: Infants and Toddlers

Title: Finger Printing and Hand Prints

Children usually love engaging in art activities that allow them to touch and feel the materials. Some children may not initially like the feel and textures of paint but can be offered brushes or stamps. Finger and hand painting and stamping allows children to explore the world of colors and help to develop those fine motor skills that support the development of pre-writing skills needed with holding brushes and pens. Hand printing is also a great way to create keepsake art for families.



Turkey Placemats
Large piece of paper
Fall color paints (brown, red, orange, green and yellow)
Paint the palm and pinky finger brown and the other fingers different colors to make feathers. Allow to dry and draw in turkey features. Talk to your child about the turkey feathers, colors, how the paint feels, etc.
Optional: Try the activity yourself to model for your child. Have everyone in the family make one so your child can see the differences in hand size. If you can, laminate to save for Thanksgiving if you celebrate.

Using brown paint, paint your child's palm and wrist to imprint onto the paper. Using the other colors, have your child finger paint in leaves.