Curriculum Share

DrDP Measure:
COG 1: Spatial Relationships Child increasingly shows understanding of how objects move in space or fit in different spaces
COG 2: Classification Child shows an increasing ability to compare, match, and sort objects into groups according to their attributes

Age Group:
Infants, Toddlers and Preschool

Title: Does It Fit?

Using everyday materials in your home, you can children’s development of classification skills and understanding of spatial awareness. Mixing and matching containers is an easy puzzle activities that helps children to learn to classify by simple attributes such as size, color and textures. To enhance this activity and support children’s understanding of how objects move in different spaces, use different size toys to have children experiment and see what will fit in a variety of spaces.

Materials:

3-4 different sized plastic containers with matching lids
Assorted large and small toys

Take apart containers and lids. Allow your child to help if they can. Mix up the lids and ask your child to find the corresponding containers to see if they “fit”. Give helpful hints such as “are they the same color”, “is that too big or too small?” or use words such as “small, medium and large”. Using assorted toys, model placing toys inside the containers to show which will fit and which won’t, asking “does it fit?” and allow your child to experiment.