



# FAMILY LOVE

## PARENT HANDOUT



### CIRCLE TIME

#### I LOVE YOU SONG

Tune: This Old Man

*I love you. You love me.  
We're a happy family.  
With a great big hug,  
And a kiss from me to you,  
Won't you say you love too.*

Pass out teddy bears to children.  
Kiss and hug during song.

#### ROSES ARE RED

Rhyme

*Roses are red,  
Violets are blue,  
Sugar is sweet,  
And so are you!*

Shake red and blue  
Cheerleader pom pom to rhyme.

#### FAMILY REUNION

Group Movement Activity

Children and parents dance to party music. Staff leads them in traditional dances such as Electric Slide, Hokey Pokey, or Macarena.

Play dance music such as Electric Slide, Hokey Pokey, or Macarena.

### CREATIVE PLAY STATIONS

Free play with theme puzzles, playdoh, character blocks and bubbles

#### YOU'VE GOT MAIL

Messy Play

Children and parents play together at a sensory table filled with red shredded paper, valentines, envelopes, and Kleenex box "mailboxes." Children put paper and cards in and out of envelopes and mailboxes.

#### LOVE LETTERS

Creative Play

Children write love letters on heart shaped red paper with white chalk. Put in large envelopes decorated with stickers. Label with child's name and take home.

#### RING-A-LING

Communication/Pretend Play

Children and parents talk on toy telephones. Name people whom children know and love. Look up names in telephone books. Pretend to call them.

#### HOME SWEET HOME

Problem Solving Play

Children and parents set up furniture in the doll house for the family. Match family members to chairs or beds.

### SNACK TIME

Heart shaped Jell-o jigglers and juice

### HOME PLAY

**Praise your child. Hug, kiss, smile, and say, "I love you!"**

Get in the habit of giving "hello" and "good-bye" kisses when family members come and go.

### TEN THINGS EVERY CHILD NEEDS

Interaction Loving Touch Stable Relationship Safety and Health Self Esteem Quality Child Care Communication Play Music Reading