Theme 9: Growing and Changing

Observation Checklist

Teacher _____ Class _____ Date _____

√ = Early Growth Indicator

LITERACY																			
Phonological Awareness																			
√ blends onset and rime																			
• blends phonemes																			
Letter Knowledge																			
√ identifies, matches a growing number of letters																			
√ focuses on letter names and shapes: *Gg, Ee, Dd*																			
• notices beginning letter and sound in words																			
• is introduced to letter sounds: *g* /g/, *e* /ĕ/, *d* /d/																			
Comprehension																			
√ retells sequence and details of a story																			
√ retells important facts from informational text																			
• identifies main idea																			
Oral Language/Vocabulary																			
√ names, describes objects																			
• develops an awareness of action words																			
• tells simple personal narratives																			
• understands naming and describing words																			

Legend: 1 = Usually, 2 = Sometimes, 3 = Seldom, 4 = Never

Book/Print Awareness																				
• points out cover, and first, middle, and end pages of a book																				
• counts words in a sentence																				
• shows where reading begins on a page																				
• demonstrates directionality in print																				
Writing, Written Expression																				
• participates in shared, interactive, and independent writing																				
• generates content and topics for writing																				
• writes five or more recognizable letters																				
Motivation to Read																				
• independently engages in reading behaviors																				
Fluency																				
• progresses in clarity of pronunciation																				

MATH																				
Number Sense																				
√ counts and compares numbers of objects																				
• combines and separates groups																				
Geometry/Spatial Sense																				
• demonstrates an awareness of symmetry																				
Measurement																				
• compares length, size, height of objects																				
• explores capacity, weight																				

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Patterns																				
• represents, predicts, extends patterns																				
Classification/Data Collection																				
• creates and uses charts and graphs																				

SOCIAL STUDIES																				
• begins to understand family history and relationships																				
• recognizes change over time related to his/her own life and growth																				
• understands responsibility of caring for the environment																				
• recognizes that clothing varies depending on the environment																				
• becomes aware of what it means to be a consumer																				

SCIENCE																				
• expands knowledge, respect for his/her body and the environment																				
• understands life cycles of plants and animals																				
• describes changes in his/her environment																				
• considers the impact of seasons on his/her life																				

SOCIAL/EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT																				
• shows willingness to try new things																				
• expresses interests and self-direction in learning																				
• cooperates to solve problems																				

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• accepts responsibility for own behavior																			
• connects actions and consequences																			

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT																			
Gross Motor Skills																			
• integrates body movements with senses																			
Fine Motor Skills																			
• coordinates hand and eye movements																			

FINE ARTS																			
Art																			
• uses a variety of materials to create original work																			
Music																			
• participates in classroom music activities																			
Dramatic Play																			
• uses language as part of dramatic play																			
• dramatizes experiences, poems																			

HEALTH AND SAFETY																			
• recognizes and selects healthy foods																			
• becomes aware of routine healthy behaviors																			

MEDIA AND TECHNOLOGY																			
• understands environmental sounds																			