



PLAYWORKS

Engaging Volunteers through Play

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A photograph of two young boys hula hooping in a schoolyard. The boy on the left is wearing a green shirt and has blonde hair. The boy on the right is wearing a blue shirt and has dark hair, and he is smiling with his mouth open. They are both holding hula hoops. In the background, other children and a school building are visible. The entire image has a blue tint.

Icebreaker: Partner to Partner

Agenda



- The Power of Play
- Connection to your Mission
- Simple activities
- Create your own!
- Closing/Crown a Champion

Value of Play

SOCIAL

Cooperation
Sharing
Turn-Taking
Conflict Resolution
Communication Skills
Leadership Skills

EMOTIONAL

Fun
Enjoyment
Love of Life
Self-Expression
Self Confidence
Anxiety Reduction
Empathy

PHYSICAL

Gross Motor
Development
Fine Motor
Development
Muscle Development
Aerobic Development
Self-Help Skills

ACADEMIC

Abstract Thinking
Imagination
Problem-Solving
Social Cognition
Attention Regulation
Exploration
Mastering New
Concepts



Set the Tone & Build Connection



Demonstrate Collective Impact



Spread Joy

Set the Tone & Build Connection

Icebreaker Games

Organized games focused on building rapport and community.

Practice respect, positive communication, and listening.



PARTNER CHALLENGE

Brain Booster, Transition/Grouping Activity
How are we each connected to the mission?



GOTCHA

Brain Booster, Teambuilder
How do our actions impact others?

Demonstrate Collective Impact

Cooperative Games

Organized activities focused on team building and problem solving.

Practice teamwork, communication, problem solving.



LETS GO FISHING

Strategy, Teamwork

Did we all need to play the same role?



MOUNTAINS AND VALLEYS

Strategy, Teamwork

How did we all work together to meet goals?

Spread Joy!

Readiness Games

Transition activities
that focus students
attention and
promote inclusion.
Practice
concentration and
following directions.

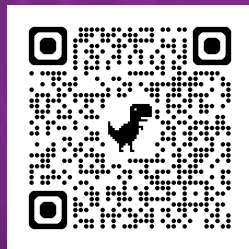


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Resilience, Encouragement

How did it feel to help and encourage others today?

Design your own activity!



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