BE CREATIVE

Caregiver Gear Up Lesson

PURPOSE:

Introduce caregivers to the importance of creativity in independent problem solving and growth mindset. Thinking creatively allows us to use mistakes as opportunities to try out new approaches.

LEARNING GOALS:

• Caregivers will learn how to incorporate creativity and imaginative play into their child's day.

POTENTIAL SPEAKERS:

- **Teacher or Art Educator** Focus discussion on the value of using mistakes as learning opportunities and easy ways encourage creative problem solving.
- Children's Librarian –Focus discussion on using imagination while reading books and in conversation.
- **Local Artist** Focus discussion on the creative process and ways it can be incorporated into everyday life.

HOSTING THIS SESSION:

- PLEASE READ THROUGH CAREGIVER HANDOUT BEFORE HOSTING THIS DISCUSSION.
- Welcome caregivers back.
- Invite caregivers to share some of the at-home activities they completed with their children from last week's session.
- Allow caregivers time to ask any questions.
- Give out Caregiver Handout. Encourage caregivers to take notes on the back of the Caregiver Handout.
- Announce today's theme **Be Curious**
- Introduce Guest Speaker and what they will be speaking about today.

OR

- Facilitate discussion using this lesson's discussion questions.
- Distribute discussion questions to caregivers.
- Have caregiver read question aloud.
- Encourage everyone to answer the questions as a group.

CLOSURE:

- Encourage questions at the end of session.
- Review what children have learned today. Encourage caregivers to invite children to show them what they have observed during the lesson.