

## **ARRANGING LEARNING CENTERS (INDIRECT)**

- Provide enough learning centers for children in the group. For a group of 15 preschoolers, use at least four learning centers with room for four to six children in each center.
- Arrange learning centers so that children are able to tell what type of play is available in each center.
- Be sure each center has the appropriate furnishings. For example, the home living center should have child-sized stove, refrigerator, and sink.
- Arrange the centers so that traffic flows smoothly between centers.
- Locate the noisy centers away from the quieter centers. For example, locate a woodworking center away from the library center.
- Place related centers near each other. For example, locate the block center next to the home living center. This encourages cooperative play between the centers.
- Locate centers so that traffic will not pass through them.
- Locate the art center near a source of water and the art supplies.
- Locate centers such as art, water play, and sand play on floor surfaces that are easily cleaned.
- Locate centers such as blocks, woodworking, and indoor climbing equipment on carpeted areas.

### **Positive Guidance Techniques (Indirect)**

- A. Arrangement of Learning Centers
- B. Lesson Plans
- C. Developmentally Appropriate Activities
- D. Transitions
- E. Schedule of Activities
- F. Helper's Chart
- G. Amount of Materials
- H. Child Size Equipment/Materials
- G. Variety of Floor Services