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WTK Educators Principals and Key Contacts,

Welcome to Kindergarten Program Managers are constantly working to improve our program. As part of that process, we listen carefully to your feedback through our annual WTK Implementation Survey. This past year, many of you have requested that more resources be made available to families that further engage them beyond the WTK Orientation sessions.

We have responded to that request and have posted six <u>"Learning through Play" WTK Videos</u> on our WTK website. These videos highlight the resources in the WTK bag and provide lots of ideas for families to explore, to create and to enjoy along with their children.

Research tells us that the family is the first and most important teacher of the child. We also know that when families routinely engage with their children and make play a priority in their home, that child development is maximized and smooth transitions to kindergarten are ensured.

We encourage you to make your families aware of our newly posted "Learning through Play" WTK Videos. An e-Blast accompanies this letter as an easy way to post this WTK news on your school web site, to email to your early years partners or to include in an e- mailing to your new Kindergarten families after their WTK Orientation session.

We hope that these videos are effective with your families and provide further encouragement for them to *Talk, Read, Sing and play every day!* with their children.

Yours truly,

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