Chesapeake College

ECD 270 Practicum in Early Childhood Development

Transitions as Part of the Day

1. **What time of the day did you complete your transition activity?**

Completed transition around 3:30 p.m. on 3/31/2015.

1. **What activity or routine were the children transitioning from?**

Transitioning from snack time.

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Transitioning to free play centers.

1. **Describe your transition activity**

Once the children were done with their snacks they went to the front “meeting area” as directed by their teacher Ms. L. From there I was waiting for them, and was requested if I knew “Little Bunny Foo Foo” by Ms. L, as the children wanted to sing but she didn’t know all the words. I sang the complete song with the children and had them interact, sing and do the movements with me. Once song was completed I played “I Spy.” Picking items only located at the front of the room, where we were gathered. Examples: What is circular and makes noise? Drum; What starts with an M and is located by window? Monkey; and What has a long neck (and did sign language for word)? Giraffe. After each question the children would raise hand to answer, and then sent to centers.

1. **Was your transition activity planned to reflect the weekly theme?**

Yes, the song was part of this week’s theme – happy spring, welcome Easter. The actual transition activity was using skills they have learned.

1. **Was the transition activity effective in moving the children in an orderly fashion from one activity or part of the day to another?**

Yes, the children were staggered to each center. I believe this helped with limiting disagreements at the centers; children all running, going to the same center.

1. **What skills were you teaching during the transition activity?**

They were displaying listening and understanding of the directions. They also used cognitive thinking, determining what item I was describing based on the characteristics and hints I gave.

**Observer Comments (signature and date):**