

## Olympic Educational Service District 114

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## Dear Parents/Guardians:

As a parent, you are your child's first and most important teacher, and you know your child best. That's why we ask that the first assessment we use is administered by you, the parent. Here at OESD 114 Early Learning Department, we use the Ages and Stages Questionnaire as our developmental screening tool. The ASQ is a set of questionnaires to check your child's development in the areas of communication, large and fine motor, problem-solving, and self-help skills from birth to 5 years.

Your answers to this questionnaire will show your child's strengths, as well as any areas where your child may benefit from more opportunities to practice and learn new skills. The screening results will inform us of whether your child is developing similarly to other children of the same age or if your child may need additional supports. This screening also assists your child's teacher or home visitor in planning for experiences that support the individual needs of your child. If follow-up is needed, we can provide learning activities to support your child's development. If there are concerns about your child's development, we will help you to think about the next steps and the resources that are available in the community. When necessary, re-screening may be arranged to monitor growth.

Parent involvement is at the heart of the ASQ. We thank you for partnering with us to best serve your child's growth and development.

If you have any questions regarding this program, please feel free to contact your child's teacher or home visitor.

Thank you for your participation!