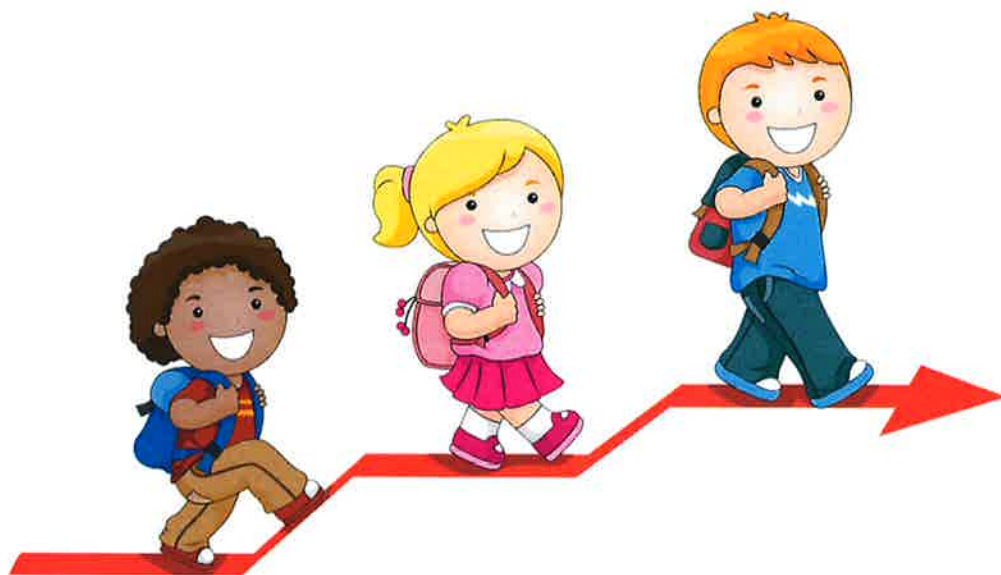




CERTIFIED
EARLY CHILDHOOD COMMUNITY
VICKSBURG/WARREN COUNTY

Community Resource Guide 2023



What Most Babies Can Do



2-Months-Old

- 🦆 They smile at People.
- 🦆 Can briefly calm themselves by bringing hands to mouth and suck on hand.
- 🦆 Tries to look at parent.
- 🦆 Coos, makes gurgling sounds.
- 🦆 Turns head towards sounds.
- 🦆 Pays attention to faces.
- 🦆 Begins to follow things with their eyes and recognize people/things at a distance.
- 🦆 Begins to act bored (cries, fusses) if activity doesn't change.
- 🦆 Holds head up and begins to push up when lying on tummy.
- 🦆 Makes smoother movements with arms/legs.





What You Can Do For Your

2-Month-Old














- 🐣 Cuddle. Talk. Play with your baby during feeding, dressing or bathing.
- 🐣 Start a routine: Sleep at night more than in the day.
- 🐣 Get in tune with your baby's likes and dislikes.
- 🐣 Act excited and smile when your baby makes sounds.
- 🐣 Pay attention to your baby's different cries so you learn what each cry means.
- 🐣 Interact with your baby: Talk, read and sing to them.
- 🐣 Place a baby-safe mirror in your baby's crib so that they can look at themselves.
- 🐣 Lay your baby on their tummy when they are awake and put toys near them.
- 🐣 Encourage your baby to lift their head by holding toys at eye level in front.
- 🐣 Hold your baby upright with their feet on the floor. Sing or talk to your baby while they are upright.
- 🐣 Help your baby learn to calm themselves, it's okay for them to suck on fingers or their hand.



What Most Babies Can Do



4-Months-Old

-  Knows familiar faces and begins to know if someone is a stranger.
-  Likes to play with others, especially parents.
-  Responds to other people's emotions and often seems happy.
-  Likes to look look in a mirror.
-  Responds to sounds by making sounds and responds to their own name.
-  Strings vowels together when babbling.
-  Makes sounds to show joy and displeasure.
-  Begins to say consonant sounds (jabbering with "m" and/or "b").
-  Looks around at nearby objects.
-  Brings objects to their mouth.
-  Begins passing objects from hand to hand.
-  Rolls over in both directions (front to back/ back to front); rocks back and forth and sometimes crawls backward before moving forward.
-  Begins to sit without support.

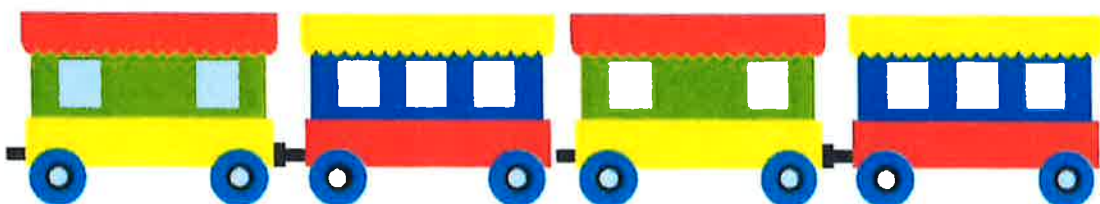




What You Can Do For Your

4-Month-Old










- Hold and talk to your baby; smile and be cheerful while you do.
- Set steady routines for sleeping and feeding.
- Pay close attention to what your baby likes and doesn't like; you will know how best to meet their needs and what you can do to make you baby happy.
- Copy your baby's sounds.
- Act excited and smile when your baby makes sounds.
- Have quiet play times when you read or sing to your baby.
- Give age-appropriate toys for playtime, such as rattles or colorful pictures.
- Play games such as peek-a-boo.
- Provide safe opportunities for your baby to reach for toys and explore his surroundings.
- Put toys or rattles in your baby's hand and help them to hold the object.
- Hold your baby upright with feet on the floor and sing or talk to them as they "stand" with your support.



What Most Babies Can Do














6-Months-Old

-  Smiles spontaneously, especially at people.
-  Likes to play with people and might cry when playing stops.
-  Copies some movements and facial expressions, like smiling.
-  Begins to babble with expression and copies sounds they hear.
-  Cries in different ways to show hunger, pain or tiredness.
-  Let's you know their mood.
-  Responds to affection.
-  Reaches for toy using one hand.
-  Hand eye coordination.
-  Recognizes familiar people and things at a distance.
-  Holds heads steady and unsupported.
-  May be able to roll over from tummy to back.
-  Can hold a toy and shake it and swing at dangling toys.
-  When lying on stomach, pushes up to elbows.





















-  Play on the floor with your baby every day.
-  Learn to read your baby's moods and adjust your behavior based on their behavior.
-  Show your baby how to comfort themselves when they are upset.
-  When your baby smiles, you smile; when they make sounds you copy those sounds.
-  Repeat your child's sounds and say simple words with those sounds. i.e. if your child says "bah" you say "bottle" or "book".
-  Read books to your child everyday. Praise them when they act as if they are reading too. Colorful picture books encouraged.
-  When your baby looks at something, point to it and talk about it.
-  When they drop a toy on the floor, pick it up and give it back. This game teaches cause and effect
-  Point out new things to your baby and say the name.
-  Hold your baby up while they sit or support them with pillows.
-  Put your baby on their tummy or back and put toys out of reach. Encourage them to roll over and reach the toys.



What Most Babies Can Do



9-Months-Old

-  May be afraid of strangers.
-  May be clingy with familiar adults.
-  Has favorite toys.
-  Understands "no"
-  Makes a lot of different sounds like "mamamamama" and "babababa"
-  Copies sounds and gestures of others.
-  Uses fingers to point at things.
-  Watches the path of something as it falls.
-  Looks for things that you hide.
-  Plays peek-a-boo.
-  Puts things in their mouth.
-  Moves things smoothly from one hand to the other.
-  Picks up small things using thumb and index finger.
-  Crawls.
-  Gets into sitting position and sits without support.
-  Pulls to a standing position.



What You Can Do For Your



9-Month-Old

- 🐣 Pay attention to the way they react to new situations and people; try to continue to do things that make your baby happy and comfortable.
- 🐣 As they move around more, stay close so they know you are near.
- 🐣 Especially important is continuing with routines.
- 🐣 Play games with "my turn, your turn"
- 🐣 Say what you think your baby is feeling. i.e. "You are so sad, let's see if we can make you feel better."
- 🐣 Describe what your baby is looking at; i.e. "red, round ball."
- 🐣 Talk about what your baby wants when he points at something.
- 🐣 Copy your baby's sounds and words.
- 🐣 Ask for behaviors that you want, i.e. instead of saying "don't stand," say "time to sit."
- 🐣 Teach cause-and-effect by rolling balls back and forth, pushing toy cars and trucks, and putting blocks in and out of a container.
- 🐣 Play peek-a-boo and hide-and-seek.
- 🐣 Read and talk to your baby.
- 🐣 Provide lots of room for your baby to move and explore in a safe area.
- 🐣 Put your baby close to things that they can pull up on safely.

Excel By 5

Excel By 5 is a community-based certification designed to improve a child's overall well-being by age five. The first of its kind in the United States, this program emphasizes the important role our communities play in educating our children during their most formative years – birth to five years old.

Excel By 5 sets forth a variety of standards involving parent training, community participation, childcare and health to help communities focus on supporting the most critical needs of our young children and their families. The certification process also identifies available resources and existing best practices to help ensure that all the community's children will be "Healthy, Ready to Learn" when they start school at age five.

For more information on
Excel By 5 communities, please visit:
www.excelby5.



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Certified Early Childhood Community**

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Vicksburg, MS 39180
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Child Care Providers

Blessings Learning Center

4216 Halls Ferry Road
Vicksburg, MS 39180
601.831.6863

Children's Learning Center

920 Farmers Street
Vicksburg, MS 39183
601.636.0036

Crawford St. Play School

900 Crawford Street
Vicksburg, MS 39180
601.636.0476

Cutler's Grow-N-Learn

5305 Indiana Avenue
Vicksburg, MS 39180
601.634.1070

Good Shepherd Preschool

629 Cherry Street
Vicksburg, MS 39183
601.636.7687

Hawkins UMC Preschool

3736 Halls Ferry Road
Vicksburg, MS 39180
601.636.7051

Cedars Head Start

235 Cedars School Circle
Vicksburg, MS 39180
601.636.1360

Sister of Mercy Early Learning

1220 Howard Street
Vicksburg, MS. 39180
601. 636.4824

Cross Point Daycare

500 Porters Chapel Road
Vicksburg, MS 39180
601.636.3940

First Presbyterian Preschool

1501 Cherry Street
Vicksburg, MS 39180
601.636.1288

H&H Kidz Zone, LLC

2734 Washington Street
Vicksburg, MS 39180
601.456.4861/601.529.6370

Kids Cottage

437 Ridgewood Street
Vicksburg, MS 39180
601.638.0519

Kiddie City Child Care
1783 Martin Luther King Blvd.
Vicksburg, MS 39183
601.638.8109

King's Head Start Center
200 RL Chase Circle
Vicksburg, MS 39183
601.638.4311

Lil' Wonders Daycare
712 Dabney Street
Vicksburg, MS 39180
601.636.5251

Precious Moments Learning Center
5036 Rollingwood Estate Drive
Vicksburg, MS 39180
601.634.9339

Treasures Learning Center
1091 Oak Ridge Road
Vicksburg, MS 39183
601.629.6370

First Baptist Church Preschool
1607 Cherry Street
Vicksburg, MS 39180
601.636.2493

Kiddie Kollege
1222 Grove Street
Vicksburg, MS 39183
601.661.0358

Kids Are Kids Daycare
1902 Washington Street
Vicksburg, MS 39180
601.636.5001

Little People Learning Center
718 Bridge Street
Vicksburg, MS 39180
601.456.4674

Porter's Chapel Daycare
3470 Porters Chapel Road
Vicksburg, MS 39180
601.638.6043

Loving Hearts Learning Center
3211 Wisconsin Avenue
Vicksburg, MS 39180
601.636.8187

Binah Academy
6889 Paxton Road
Vicksburg, MS 39180
601.501.1345

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822 Main Street

Vicksburg, MS 39180

601.634.0092

All My Children

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Vicksburg, MS 39180

601.456.0791

Vicksburg Family Development

1205 Monroe Street

Vicksburg, MS 39180

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Children's Education Station

Daycare and Learning Center

2362 Grove Street

Vicksburg, MS 39180

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Public Schools



Vicksburg Warren School District

1500 Mission 66

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www.vwsd.org

601.638.5122

Beechwood Elementary

999 MS-27

Vicksburg, MS 39180

601.638.3874

Dana Road Elementary

1247 Dana Road

Vicksburg, MS 39180

601.619.2340

Bovina Elementary

5 Willow Creek

Vicksburg, MS 39183

601.619.4453

Redwood Elementary

100 Redwood Road

Redwood, MS 39156

601.636.4885

Bowmar Avenue Elementary

912 Bowmar Avenue

Vicksburg, MS 39180

601.636.2486

Sherman Avenue Elementary

2145 Sherman Avenue

Vicksburg, MS 39183

601.638.2409

South Park Elementary

6530 Nailor Road
Vicksburg, MS 39180
601.636.0176

Vicksburg Intermediate

1245 Dana Road
Vicksburg, MS 39180
601.638.4199

Vicksburg JR. High

1533 Rosa A. Temple Drive
Vicksburg, MS 39180
601.636.1966

Vicksburg High School

3701 Drummond Street
Vicksburg, MS 39180
601.636.2914

Warrenton Elementary

809 Belva Drive
Vicksburg, MS 39180
601.636.7549

Warren Central Intermediate

2147 Sherman Avenue
Vicksburg, MS 39183
601.638.5656

Warren Central Jr. High

1630 Rosa A. Temple Drive
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Warren Central High School

1000 Highway 27
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Hospitals and Urgent Care

<p>Fast Pace Health Urgent Care 2059 US-61 Vicksburg, MS 39183 601.429.1144</p>	<p>Jackson Hinds Comprehensive Health Center 2524 South Frontage Road 601.634.8850</p>
<p>MEA Vicksburg Primary Care 4204 Clay Street Vicksburg, MS 39183 601.619.7717</p>	<p>Merit Health River Region Clinic 3401 Pemberton Blvd Vicksburg, MS 39180</p>
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<p>Christian Volunteer Services 208 Oak Street Port Gibson, MS 39150 601.437.8529</p>	<p>Community Council 3204 Wisconsin Avenue Vicksburg, MS 39180 601.638.7441</p>
<p>Good Shepherd Community Center 629 Cherry Street Vicksburg, MS 39180 601.636.7687</p>	<p>Grace Christian Counseling Center 1414 Cherry Street Vicksburg, MS 39180 601.636.5703</p>

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