DELL-D Literacy Event Activity Sheet

PRAIRIE FARM TRIP

Dear Family,

Thanks for taking me to Prairie Farm! I had fun looking for all of the different kinds of animals. Then, I drew their pictures and you wrote down the words I used to describe them. When I see you write, I want to write too! We also made our snack, read stories and played games. Did you know that everything we did today will help me become a good reader and writer when I go to school?

Love,

ME

Fun books we can read together:

- Farm Alphabet Book by Jane Miller
- Farm Counting Book by Jane Miller
- On Granddaddy’s Farm by Thomas Allen
- The Patchwork Farmer by Craig Brown
- Cock-a-Moo-Moo by Juliet Dallas-Conte
- Barnyard Banter by Denise Fleming
- And the Cow said Moo! by Mildred Phillips
- Farm Life by Elizabeth Spurr
- Big Red Barn by Margaret Wish Brown
- Down on the Farm by Merrily Kutner
- Rosie’s Walk by Pat Hutchins
- Inside a Barn in the County by Alyssa Satin Capucilli
- Who Took The Farmer’s Hat? by Jpan L. Nodset

When we went on the scavenger hunt, I learned:
- The names and body parts of animals
- Lots of new words to describe how animals looked, felt and smelled
- Where animals live and how people take care of them

When we read stories, I learned:
- To listen to the sounds of the words and letters
- To look closely at the pictures
- To think about what would happen next in the story

When we made a snack, I learned:
- To follow directions
- To “read” the recipe from left to right
- To see the difference between letters and numbers

When we signed in and drew pictures, I practiced:
- Holding the pencil
- Writing my name and lots of other letters

When we played games, I learned:
- To take my turn
- To listen to others

Please check the Danville Public Library or the DELL-D Family Center for these books!
Let's do more things together!
- Visit a farmer’s market. Ask your child to point out the fruit and vegetables.
- Walk to a nearby park or pond. Talk about all the new things you and your child see.
- Use the farm book attached and complete the pages together.

Let's read together!
- Find books about farms and read them with your child.
- Read with your child the instructions for their toys or for other things found in your house.

Help me learn to read from left to right.
- Move your finger across the words on the page of a magazine or book as you read.

Talk to me about the difference between print, pictures, letters and numbers.
- If a book says, “1 zebra” point out the number “1” and the letters that make the word, “zebra.”
- Point out the words that match the pictures in a page.
- Show how print is used to label and identify animals and plants.

Teach me new words, so I have more words to use every day.
- Encourage language by asking questions and listening to your child’s comments.

Take turns when talking so we can share about our day.
- Talk about what your child really enjoyed during the day.
- Ask your child simple questions, like “What did you like about visiting the farm today?”

Show me how to have a conversation.
- Let your child talk first sometimes, and make sure each family member gets to tell a story. “Dad, tell us everything that happened since you woke up today. Now it’s Mom’s turn.”

Upcoming Events:

Aug. 1  Reading and Baseball with the Danville Dans
Contact Sandy Hufford at 446-1800 ext. 113 to reserve your spot!

Every Tuesday night from 5:00— 6:30 come visit the Danville Public Library with your children and DELL-D will provide activities and help you find fun books!