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COMPONENT: FACILITIES, MATERIALS, AND EQUIPMENT

SUBJECT: HEAD START PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVE: To ensure that Head Start’s physical environment and facilities are conducive to learning and reflective of the different stages of development of each child.

PROCEDURES:

1. Ensure the indoor and outdoor physical environment and facilities are conducive to learning and reflective of the different stages of development of each child.
2. Ensure appropriate space is provided for the conduct of all program activities.
3. Ensure classroom space is organized into functional areas that can be recognized by the children and allow for individual activities and social interactions.
4. Ensure classrooms have at least 35 square feet of usable space per child available for the care and use by children and at least 75 square feet of usable outdoor play space per child.