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Thanksgiving Crafts For Toddlers



6 Ideas To Get Your Toddler Moving
When It's Too Cold Outside

(Click the link below.)



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Attention Early Intervention Families If you have a parent fee, please remember to pay it each month.

Your bill will come by the method you selected. Either in an email from no_reply@utah.gov or as a letter.

We love serving you and your family!

+ * Happy \$ + THANKSGIVING

As we come to the end of another calendar year at DDI Vantage, I want to take a moment to express my heartfelt thanks to our incredible staff, families, and community partners. This has been a year of both challenge and achievement. While saying goodbye to our AYS department was difficult, we have seen remarkable growth and impact in our Early Intervention and Early Head Start programs. Our dedicated team members have served thousands of children through home visits, providing vital support, education, and care to families throughout our community. Their hard work, compassion, and commitment truly embody the mission of DDI Vantage.

I am deeply grateful for the strength, flexibility, and leadership shown across our organization this year, especially in the face of limited funding and the fears associated with the unknown. Each member of the DDI Vantage team brings something unique and valuable, and together we continue to make a meaningful difference for children ages O-3. DDI Vantage is an amazing place to work and I feel blessed this Thanksgiving season for this wonderful place we lovingly call "our home away from home".

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Thankful

Kellie Lyon

Executive Director of DDI Vantage



For over 30 years, DDI Vantage has organized a Sub For Santa program for children in the community who need help. Last year, over 100 children received gifts from our generous helpers.

If you would like to sign up to be one of Santa's helpers and buy gifts for a family in need this holiday season, scan the QR code or visit our website for more information. www.ddivantage.org

EXPECTATIONS





Each child in the home is to receive:

- · 2 items of clothing
- 1 book
- 1 item from their wish list



Contact family to schedule drop off of gifts.



Presents are wrapped and delivered to child.



Notify DDI Vantage contact that delivery has been completed.





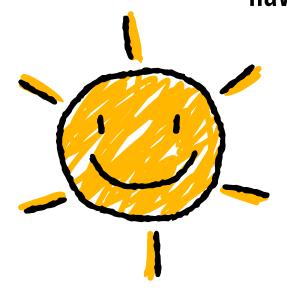


Thanks to everyone that joined us at our **Head Start** 60th Birthday Art Show! We had so much fun and loved seeing everyone's art!



Family Story

DDI Vantage has been a great help to my son. He wasn't speaking very much at all. They came in and would play and encourage him to copy them to use more words. He has improved so much since we started using these services. We are very grateful for everything the wonderful people at DDI Vantage have done!



The Merrill Family



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We had an amazing turnout at our Early Head Start socialization event held at Schmidt's Pumpkin Patch on October 14th, with 144 participants joining us for a fun-filled day! Families enjoyed a variety of activities, shared laughter, and created lasting memories together.

Everyone loved the delicious snacks provided, and our DDI staff brought great energy and enthusiasm, ensuring a safe, welcoming, and joyful atmosphere for all. Each team member played an important role and carried out their responsibilities

It was truly a special experience for our families, who expressed heartfelt gratitude to DDI Vantage for offering such a wonderful opportunity to connect and celebrate together.













Thanksgiving Turkey Puppet

Supplies: bottle cap painted brown, googly eyes, feathers, craft stick, yellow paper

www.thejoysharing.com



Handprint & Footprint Turkey

Supplies: non-toxic paint, colored paper, googly eyes

alittlepinchofperfect.com



Apple Stamped Pumpkins

Supplies: non-toxic paint, apple slices, black markers if you want to add jack-o-lantern faces

www.inthekidskitchen.com