

+Lesson Planning



In HighScope classrooms lesson plans reflect children's interests and developmental abilities along with content area goals and learning objectives. Your lesson plans offer an opportunity to plan with individual children in mind at the same time you are planning for the needs of the group. Each Friday you will sketch out a plan for the following week, knowing that you may well tweak that plan based on what you see children do each day. This year we will be paying special attention to intentional and individualized planning as well as to transitions and active supervision.

+Resources for lesson planning:

Daily anecdotes/COR

Lesson Planner in COR: go to the Lesson Planner and click on any green circle. Find the button for 'Search lessons' and include any specific search criteria (for example, a small group activity focused on emotions or a large group activity focused on moving like animals).

HighScope resources: Lesson plans for a Strong Start, 1st 30 days, Numbers Plus,

Also think about: previously successful plans, Conscious Discipline activities, IEP/IFSP goals

+Finding/Saving lesson plans

Lesson plans may be completed on the [templates provided here](#)

Open the link to download the daily lesson planning form. When you download the plan template, it will download as a 'zip' file. Open that file and you will find the plan template. Save each week's plans using the 'Save as' command: 'save as' with your classroom number and the date. For example, you would save as Lafayette 24 August 7-August 11.

You may choose to complete your lesson plans using [COR's Lesson Planner](#). You may note some changes to your lesson planner template as we will be making some edits to the template to include individualization and transitions, focusing on active supervision.

+Sharing/Posting lesson plans

Once you have saved the lesson plan attach it to an email to lplans@headstartesj.com Email the plans and also keep a copy of the plan. We suggest keeping a folder on your laptop for each week's lesson plans. If you are using the COR Lesson Planner you will not need to email it.

Print a copy of each day's plan to post in your classroom and keep a copy of each week's lesson plans in a binder in your classroom. If you find you make changes in your planned lessons, write those changes on your posted plans.

+Materials Checklist

In addition to the daily plans you will also complete the Lesson Plan Materials Checklist once a week. [EHS](#). [HS](#). This checklist will reflect all of the materials you will use this week for your planned activities. Post that checklist with your lesson plans each week.

+Weekly Overview

You will also find a Weekly Overview form in the Lesson Planning folder. [EHS](#). [HS](#). This Overview will guide you through all of the required elements to include in your lesson plan each day and each week. Your Program Manager will use this form to check that your lesson plans are meeting all of the Head Start requirements. 2023