

Each day, as part of attendance practices, classrooms will practice the ritual of "Wish Well".

During Home Visit, the teaching staffs will take a photograph of the child.

Make a color copy of each child (approximately 1in.) for the "Wish Well Board". (MH team can assist with this if you let us know)

Place a photo of each child in the space around the perimeter of the heart.

During "Greeting Time", the teacher will guide the classroom in "Wish Well".

## Steps to "Wish Well"

Draw children's attention to the "Wish Well Board".

Place the absent student's picture in the heart (explain that we hold this child in our hearts until he/she returns).

Invite the class to "Wish Well" each absent child by having each child:

Place their hands over their heart.

Taking a deep breath.

Pause and picture that child in your mind.

Breathe out while opening arms and sending loving thoughts out to the missing child you are wishing well.

Sing together to the tune of the Farmer in the Dell

"We wish you well,

We wish you well,

All through the day today.

We wish you well!"

Then, we look around at each other as a school family and sing to each other so we will have a great day, too:

"I wish you well,
I wish you well,
All through the day today.
I wish you well!"