

## Signature Practices in a Bright Horizons Infant Classroom



**Maximizing Prime Times:** Moments of one-to-one responsive, nurturing interaction between a teacher and child build trusting relationships as well as help a child develop skills in emotional intelligence and language.



**Reading Daily:** Reading aloud to children is the single best predictor of a child's later success as an independent reader. Reading to babies includes turning pages, pointing to pictures, and holding the book.



**Daily Exposure to the Arts:** Children are naturally creative and even the youngest children appreciate exploring visual arts, music, dance, and drama.



**Signing with Babies:** Babies instinctively need to communicate and signing with babies is a unique way to communicate with them before they are able to speak words on their own.



**Treasure Baskets:** Treasure baskets contain natural and everyday household objects to engage babies and stimulate developing senses and understanding.



**Outdoor Exploration:** The natural world is full of learning opportunities for babies. Nature provides beautiful objects to look at, wonderful sounds and smells, and interesting textures to explore.