

## First Day Friends Open House Activity



### Domain:

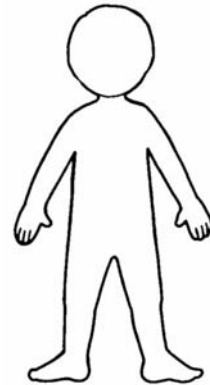
- Socialization, Fine Motor, Cognitive

### Objectives:

- Child will work with parent to decorate poster board cutout to resemble child.
- Child will use markers or crayons to decorate poster board.
- Child will identify his/her poster child.
- Child will identify his/her name.

### Materials:

- One large poster board for each child.
- Permanent markers
- Scissors
- Opaque machine or overhead projector
- *First Day Friends* pattern



### Instructions:

- Use opaque machine or overhead projector to enlarge *First Day Friends* child pattern.
- Use permanent marker to trace one child pattern on each poster board.
- Invite parents to school open house before the first day of school.
- Give them each a poster board pattern and ask them take it home and work with their child to decorate it so that it resembles their child.
- Cut out figure.
- Ask them to have their child bring it to school on the first day.
- Hang children posters on the wall. Add nametags under each child to reinforce name recognition.

### Suggestions:

- This activity can also be done after school begins.
- Young children may want to return poster child uncut to reduce the chances of ripping arms or legs. Teacher or assistant should then cut poster child.

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