Resources At the Center:
(Available virtually or in-person)
• Developmental screenings and assessments help determine each child's needs
• Individualized behavioral support strategies for school and home
• Transition planning support and linkages with Head Start and Pre-K services
• Ongoing opportunities to meet and strategize on each child's educational needs and linkages to services
• Information about alternative educational options for your child

The UM-Linda Ray Intervention Center (LRIC) is a University-based Multidisciplinary Educational Services Center within the Department of Education's Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resources System. Additionally, the LRIC is one of the five Early Intervention Birth-Two Programs in Miami within the state's Early Steps program for young children with disabilities. The LRIC is part of the Department of Psychology within the College of Arts and Sciences. Our mission is to support and facilitate positive developmental outcomes with high quality services, thereby improving young children's school readiness, and future student achievement.

For Young Children, Art is all About the Process of Doing!

Process Art is child-driven art that celebrates the experience of doing and discovery. The final product is always unique, created from the child's imagination while experimenting as part of the learning process. Gathering, sorting, collating, and patterning materials in new, unique and creative ways is the most relevant aspect and the principal focus of process art.

Ms. Cartwright visits the UM-Linda Ray Intervention Center and participates in a creative session of art with her grandchild, Cataleya. She shares with other caregivers how together they enjoyed exploring with colors using their hands and sponges to create a unique masterpiece.

Mr. Seals and his granddaughter Arianna share time together exploring with paint and enjoying the process of creating art. The students' unique pieces are on display at the UM-Linda Ray Intervention Center.

CENTER NAME: FDLRS/UM Multidisciplinary Educational Services Center
LOCATION: UM/Linda Ray Intervention Center, 750 NW 15th Street, Miami FL 33136-1431
PRIMARY SERVICE AREA: Miami-Dade, Broward and Monroe Counties
SERVICES: Multidisciplinary evaluation and consultation services for children with complex learning, behavioral, medical, and socio-emotional problems, their families, teachers, and schools; parent education and support services; and in-service training to educators and other community professionals. Additional targeted support services for children developmentally impacted by parental substance abuse, child maltreatment and foster care. Services may be delivered remotely or in-person.

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How our services are unique:

The Center provides specialized, multidisciplinary services virtually or in person that include:

- Direct services to children, youth, families, and educators to improve student outcomes.
- Multidisciplinary diagnostic evaluation services for young children with complex educational, behavioral, medical, and socio-emotional problems impacting learning and acquisition of skills.
- Direct intervention and consultation services for families and children aimed at improving student learning, skill development, and outcomes through implementation of evidence-based interventions.
- Classroom observations of individual students to build a collaborative action plan intended to improve instructional delivery and student success.
- Technical assistance to individual teachers for implementing recommended interventions and strategies.
- Training for community providers and district staff
- Website resources at www.fdlrs-um.miami.edu

Ways to share art process with your child at home with everyday items

- Paint with a variety of paints and paintbrushes (with no directions) You can even use Q-Tips to paint!
- Watercolor painting. Food coloring works great to color water.
- Explore and create with play dough or clay.
- Finger painting—be patient if your child seems reluctant to touch the paint with their hands. Be sure younger children don’t put their hands in their mouth.
- Print and stamp—Use sponges cut into pieces dipped into paint.
- Draw with markers, or crayons can even be done on paper bags and become puppets when stuffed with newspaper.
- Make collages using tissue paper, various sizes of paper, glue, paste, glue sticks, and recycled materials.

Monday, August 23rd marks the first day of school.

Parents engage with other parents and professionals during this year's FDLRS-UM Mini-Family Café: Back to School Parent Symposium held August 19 and 20th.

Art Display at the UM-Linda Ray Intervention Center

Play Dough Fun and Easy Recipe

- 2 cups plain flour
- 1 cup salt
- 1 tbs oil
- 1 cup cold water
- 2 drops liquid food coloring

Combine plain flour and water, add salt, food coloring and oil. Mix and knead all ingredients.

Our next Quick Bite is September 15th! Details coming soon...