

# Sample Classroom Newsletter



## What is Positive Descriptive Feedback?

Positive descriptive feedback is a practice we are using to help children learn what is expected of them during different classroom activities. Positive descriptive feedback tells children exactly what they have done and encourages them to use that behavior in the future.

## Characteristics of Positive Descriptive Feedback

- ✓ Use **specific terms** to describe your child's appropriate behavior
- ✓ Be **enthusiastic** and deliver positive descriptive feedback in a **caring and warm manner**
- ✓ Be sure to use positive descriptive feedback **immediately and often** when you see your child engaging in appropriate behavior

## Tips for Using Positive Descriptive Feedback

You can use positive descriptive feedback with your child at any time! Here's some suggestions:

- ✓ While riding in the car, let your child know what behavior is expected. For example, *"I like the way you are playing quietly with toys while I drive."*
- ✓ During mealtime, you can provide positive descriptive feedback when your child is sitting at the table and eating appropriately. For example, *"Look at you use your napkin to wipe your mouth! Great manners! You also helped set the table! Thanks for being my helper today!"*
- ✓ When your child is playing nicely with friends, say, *"I saw you taking turns with your friends when you were playing with the trucks and cars! Sharing toys makes for good friends!"*

**Can you think of other ways to use positive descriptive feedback at home with your child? Let me know!**

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