



9 to 12 Months

Your child will be discovering and learning new skills. The following descriptives of the development of child up to twelve months will give you an idea of what to look for during this time. The programs at Encompass Early Education and Care, Inc. provide growth, development and reinforcement of these behaviors, skills and concepts.

Each child is unique and develops at his/her own pace; however, the environment and the ability of each caretaker to incorporate these factors into daily experiences that are developmentally appropriate, challenging, fun, and nurturing are key to development. We are grateful to have the opportunity to celebrate your child's accomplishments with you.

Physical Development

- Creeps on all fours
- Pulls self into standing position
- Cruises around crib or furniture

Manipulative Skills and Eye-Hand Coordination

- Bangs two toys together
- Grasps small object with index finger and thumb (pincer grasp)

Play and the Use of Toys

- Explores toy with eyes and finger (examines and pokes)
- Shows preference for one toy over another
- Puts one object inside another

Speech

- Says dada, mama as names
- Understands "give it to me" and hands toy
- Has two words besides mama and dada

Reactions to Others and to Self

- Enjoys peek-a-boo game
- Plays pat-a-cake, so-big, and bye-bye
- Uses toy to create social contact
- Cooperates in dressing



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Mission Statement

Encompass Early Education and Care, Inc. is a not-for-profit organization providing education and care for children and support for families with a commitment to compassion, quality and advocacy.