Stepping Stones Museum for Children

Yale Cognition & Development Lab



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- Children's museum geared for children ages
 10 and under
- Committed to lifelong learning, the content of our programs and exhibits include literacy, art, STEM, culture and health



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- Focuses on how children make sense of the world around them
- Studies how development leaves cognitive legacies in adults





How and when did the partnership start?

- Introduced to researchers in the Psychology Department via museum board member
- Onsite research with Yale University began in summer 2010



Communication

- Meet once a year to discuss goals
- Most communication is through email
- All scheduling is handled by two people: one at Yale and one at the museum





Location in Museum



- Usually takes place on the museum floor at 1 or 2 tables
- On busy days, it may take place in a classroom



Benefits to the Museum

- Brings in "real science"
- Professional development for staff
- Opportunity for more programming





Benefits to the Visitors

- Engages caregivers in learning about their children
- Allows visitors to witness and participate in the scientific process
- Children participate in a fun activity



Thank you!

