EARLY START TOGETHER



EVERY WIN COUNTS

HONORING PROGRESS

Wins off the Chart

Developmental charts measure averages—not meaning. They don't capture effort, regulation, trust, or persistence. For many children, progress looks like:

- Building comfort before building skills
- Gaining regulation before gaining speed
- Developing confidence before consistency

A win isn't about where a skill lands on a timeline. It's about what your child is able to do today that wasn't possible before.

Noticing the Wins

Wins often show up as changes in how things happen, not what happens:

- Tasks taking less emotional or physical effort
- Faster recovery after frustration
- More willingness to try, even when something is hard
- Familiar routines feeling smoother or steadier

These shifts can be easy to miss—but over time, they're often the clearest signs of real growth.

Sharing the Wins

Wins don't just describe progress—they shape how we see it.

- When you name what's working, you're teaching yourself and others what growth looks like for your child.
- Over time, this changes the questions people ask—from "What should they be doing?" to "What's getting easier?"
- That shift creates space to celebrate progress without comparison—and keeps the focus on what truly matters.

About Early Start Together

We help parents of infants and toddlers with delays and disabilities find resources and build community. Exceptional Family Resource Center (EFRC) offers free services to parents through all ages and stages, birth through adult.

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We are happy to help you with your specific questions and situation.