

Wish List for UC Merced ECE Center

Description	Interest Area
suit cases	Dramatic Play
purses/wallets	
old phones - both push button and dial	
cell phones - without batteries	
hats	
scarves/bandanas	
baby blankets	
baskets	
phonebooks	
toddler bed	
clean empty food boxes and containers	
wooden bowls	
porcelain bowls, cups, containers	
acrylic photo frames	
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vinyl rain gutter segments	Block Area
cardboard tubes	
pinecones	
large shells	
rocks	
large spools (kind for wire or twine)	
pieces of rubber tubing	
tiles, linoleum squares, rug squares	
maps - road maps and geological maps	
books, magazines, postcards with photos of buildings, roads, bridges (local and international)	
drift wood or small logs	
old blueprints	
pulleys and rope	
large fabric scraps	
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classroom pets and supplies - fish tanks (acrylic) with either fresh water fish, gold fish or small aquatic frogs, water treatment chemicals, filter, filter supplies, rocks, plants and heater - bird cages, bird cage accessories, seed, birds (finches, canaries, or parakeets) - small rodents and supplies (guinea pig, rats, mice) - see Director before purchasing or donating	Science
shells	
bones	
x-rays	
dental imprints	

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horns
insect displays
books on botany, anatomy, geology, astronomy
feathers
dried plants/flowers
illustrations/photos of nature
magnets -different types, sizes
rocks
"take aparts" - old toys, radios, clocks, cameras, equipment
to take apart and see what is inside

Science continued...

buckets and pails - assorted sizes
storage bins - with lids to keep sensory materials in
colanders
combs
corks
handheld eggbeaters/wire whisks
fish nets
fishing bobbers
fizzy bath balls
funnels
ladles
measuring spoons and cups
molds
Ping Pong balls
PVC 1/2 inch pipes and T-connectors
scoops
mesh screening
shakers with large holes
basters

Sand and Water Table

metal small tortilla presses
metal cookie cutters
plastic cookie cutters
small wooden rolling pins

Playdough

yarn
old craft materials - started craft projects that you never
finished, we will recycle the materials in the classroom
strawberry baskets
clean styrofoam trays
books about art styles, process, history
posters/prints of famous art or styles of art
clean egg cartons

Art

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corks

feathers

plastic/wood/metal trays

mosaic tiles/small wood pieces/pieces of plastic

other materials which might be used for art....

Art continued...

CDs and tapes - including music that is fast, or slow and soothing; diverse in style and tradition (folk, classical, country, jazz, rock, reggae, bluegrass, ragtime) and music from different cultures

hand held musical instruments

Music and Movement

non-toxic plants and trees

indoor potting soil

pots - assorted sizes for table tops and for floor

cork, plastic or stands to protect surfaces

baskets - all sizes

All Classrooms

old pots and pans

old muffin tins

metal and plastic mixing bowls

stumps - redwood - for hammering nails into

metal tubs

half wine barrels, raised planters, large pottery planters

hand held gardening tools (shovels, trowels, rakes)

small wheelbarrow

lattice pieces/awnings

watering cans

garden sculptures/fountains

bird feeders

bird houses

stepping stones

Outdoor

Library/Writing Area

books - children's books, classic easy reader chapter books (Wizard of Oz, Charlotte's Web, Stewart Little), baby board books, fabric books, dictionaries with pictures, coffee table books with illustrations/photos to do with science, nature or social studies, classic folk tales and nursery rhymes, books from other countries/cultures

old stationary or paper with one side printed

old labels

old envelopes

photo albums

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carbon paper
old desk calendars
blank books
old working typewriter

Library/Writing Area continued...

old parenting books

Front Foyer