

Name/Title: Turkey Feathers

Purpose of Event: Locomotor warm-up and cooperation

Prerequisites: Students understand the definition of cooperation - working together to get something accomplished.

Suggested Grade Level: K-2

Materials Needed: 6-8 hula hoops, 6-8 laminated turkey heads and 40-50 scarves.

Description of Idea

Set up:

Scatter hula hoops around the gym floor. Set a turkey head at the top of each hoop. Place scarves at the other end of the gym. The hula hoop is the turkey's body. The scarves are the feathers.

Instructions:

The starting point for the students is at the end of the play area, opposite the scarves. On the signal, such as music, the students move to the opposite side of the gym to retrieve a scarf and place it by one of the turkeys. The students will move using one of the teacher-directed locomotor skills, such as skipping, galloping, sliding, etc. For safety, it is best to not use running. After the first "feather" is placed, students will continue to retrieve scarves, using a different locomotor skill each time. This continues until all the "feathers" are gone and they have put feathers on all the turkeys. The student is only allowed to bring back one feather each time. The object is to work together to make 8 beautiful turkeys.

Assessment Ideas:

Ask the students how they cooperated to build the turkeys. What could you have done differently if a turkey did not have many feathers?

Adaptations for Students with Disabilities:

If a student is in a wheelchair, have a peer assist with going back and forth, and have the student with disabilities select which turkey to place the "feather."

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