Debra S. Fish Library

Think Small is home to the Debra S. Fish Early Childhood Library. You will find over 6,000 exceptional early childhood materials on a variety of topics: child development and learning, the business of child care, parenting, and much more. Learn more about the library and find topic specific bibliographies at thinksmall.org/library.

Visit us during business hours (M-F 8:30-5, some Saturday mornings), call the library at 651-641-3544 or email the librarian, Jennie, at librarian@thinksmall.org for assistance.

Catalog

All materials in the Debra S. Fish Library collection are searchable through the St. Paul Public Library (SPPL.org) Collection and MnLINK Minnesota’s Online Library (mnlink.org).

Borrowing Materials

Materials can be checked out at Think Small and through your local library! A current library card is all that is required.

Non St. Paul card-holders: The first time you use your local library card in the St. Paul system you will need to present your library card, along with a picture ID with your name and current address or a picture ID and a piece of recently posted mail with your current address. After that you need only present your card.

Residents of cities or counties whose libraries are served by MELSA also may use their library cards. Bring in your library card, along with a picture ID with your name and current address or a picture ID and a piece of recently posted mail with your current address.
ADULT BOOKS

Parent Aware Approved Assessment Kits at the Debra S. Fish Library

The Debra S. Fish Early Childhood Library wants to support you as you pursue a Parent Aware star rating by providing easy access to Parent Aware assessment tools. Below is a list of PA-approved assessment tools that are currently available for checkout at the library:

Stand-alone published assessments
- Brigance inventory of early development III / 0-35 months early childhood edition
- Brigance inventory of early development III / 3-5 years early childhood edition
- Focused portfolios: a complete assessment for the young child
- HELP (Hawaii Early Learning Profile) strands: curriculum based assessment: birth to three
- HELP (Hawaii Early Learning Profile) for preschoolers: assessment strands: ages 3-6 years & HELP for preschoolers checklist: ages: 3-6 years.
- High/Scope Preschool Child Observation Record Advantage (COR Advantage)
- High/Scope Infant-Toddler Child Observation Record (COR)
- Early learning accomplishment profile for developmentally young children (E-LAP): birth to 36 month
- LAP-3: the learning accomplishment profile third edition
- New Portage Project: Birth to Six
- Opening the World of Learning (OWL): Planning and Assessment Teacher’s Guide and Observation Checklist
- POCET [kit]: Preschool observation checklist & evaluation tool; infant and toddler
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- Investigator Club: prekindergarten assessment and intervention system.
- The Ounce Scale
- Teaching Strategies-Gold Assessment (TS-Gold)
- The Work Sampling System (WSS)
Published tools approved as part of a bundle

- Devereux Early Childhood Assessment (DECA): Preschool Program Second Edition
- Devereux Early childhood assessment for infants and toddlers (DECA-I/T)
- Splash into Pre-K: early growth indicators benchmark assessment
- Growing with mathematics
- myIGDIs early literacy and screening (2nd edition)
- myIGDIs early numeracy (1st edition)