Ideas and Suggestions for Materials/Equipment for Gross Motor Play

1. Stationary equipment:

- a. climbing equipment
- b. slides
- c. low, balancing equipment

2. Portable equipment:

- a. balls (variety of sizes and textures)
- b. wheel toys (wagons, push/ pull toys, wheelbarrows, scooters)
- c. riding toys (variety of sizes with and without pedals, for use by one or two children)
- d. tumbling mats
- e. bean bags with containers to throw into
- f. parachutes
- g. tunnels
- h. large blocks
- i. loose parts

3. Sand/water:

- a. sand boxes
- b. various types of sand/water tables such as dishpans, plastic bins, tubs, buckets
- c. measuring cups/spoons
- d. variety of containers/pails, plastic bottles
- e. shovels, scoops, molds
- f. pumps, siphons, sand/waterwheels
- g. rakes, sand scrapers, sifters
- h. nature items such as shells, pieces of wood, rocks

4. Dramatic play toys:

- a. animals, dinosaurs
- b. small people
- c. small and large trucks and cars, diggers, boats
- d. kitchen utensils spoons with and without strainer holes, egg beaters, tongs, pots, pans, muffin tins, whisks