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Playing for Keeps: The Long-Term Benefits of Play

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Childhood: For best results, use outdoors.





POSITION STATEMENT ON ACTIVE OUTDOOR PLAY





Access to active play in nature and outdoors—with its risks—is essential for healthy child development. We recommend increasing children's opportunities for self-directed play outdoors in all settings—at home, at school, in child care, the community and nature.

