# Farm Animal Movement Cube

Gross motor activities are a great way for children to release some energy, while simultaneously working on skills like balance, bilateral coordination, and body awareness!

### What you'll need:

- Printed cube template (provided below)
- Tape or glue
- Scissors
- A number dice (optional)

## **Directions:**

- 1. Print out the gross motor cube template
- 2. Cut along the provided lines
- 3. Make a crease on each line
- 4. Use tape or glue to connect the flaps, creating a cube
- 5. Roll the cube to determine which exercise to perform
- 6. Utilize a second cube, with numbers on it, for the number of seconds or reps to perform each exercise (if a second cube it not available, verbally pick a number or use a standard of 20 seconds for each)

### Ways to increase difficulty:

- Have the child verbal identify a descriptor of each animal or something they do on the farm, in addition to performing the movement, to work on dual attending (i.e. The cow is white and black)
- Call out exercises for the child to continuously do back to back rather than rolling, increasing the speed in between each exercise as the activity progresses

## Ways to decrease difficulty:

- Model the exercise for the child rather than allowing them to perform based off of photo
- Modify exercises as needed (i.e. "Roll like a pig"- Twirl while standing)

Cube template found at: <u>https://www.firstpalette.com/pdf/cube.pdf</u> Animal movements found at:

https://www.letsplaylearngrow.com/2016/06/farm-animal-gross-motor-movement-sound.html



