



**SOUTH DAKOTA STATE  
UNIVERSITY EXTENSION**



# Cloverbud Fun Zone

## Hands-on Activities

### Spaghetti-Marshmallow Towers

#### Materials Needed:

- Spaghetti noodles
- Marshmallows

#### Instructions:

Construct a tower as high as possible using spaghetti and marshmallows. Pieces of spaghetti may be broken into desired lengths.

### Straw Maze

#### Materials Needed:

- Straws
- Pom poms
- Tape (painters tape works well)

#### Instructions:

**Step 1:** Place tape down onto the floor. Design your tape in a maze formation.

**Step 2:** Place pom pom/craft fluff on the floor at the start of your maze.

**Step 3:** Let the kids blow through their straws, blowing their pom pom through the maze.

**Step 4:** Optional - you can time each kid and see who can make it through the maze the fastest.

## Ice Breakers

### Grab the Cup

#### Materials Needed:

- Plastic cups

#### Instructions:

Partner youth up and have them stand across from each other with a cup in the middle of them. The leader will say touch your head, spin around etc. once the leader says "CUP." The first one to grab the cup wins the round. Those that didn't grab the cup first will sit out and watch, youth will get a new partner and do the same until you have one person left. The last person left is the winner.

## Service Project Idea

### Warming Donation (Easy Fleece Scarf or Blanket)

#### Materials Needed:

- Fleece material

#### Instructions:

**Step 1:** Cut a long rectangle of fleece of any length. For a blanket, 5'-6'; for a scarf 4'-5' in length. The width for a blanket can be 3'-5'; the width for a scarf can be 6"-18".

**Step 2:** Make 4" deep cuts 1" apart for fringe all the way around the perimeter of the scarf or blanket.

**Step 3:** Take two pieces of fringe and tie a square knot. This step is optional if you simply want to leave the fringe hanging free, it will also look cute!

**Step 4:** Donate to your local schools for youth in need or shelters.