

I Am Going to Ability Tree



This is my story about Ability Tree. It's a respite center. I will be going there soon.

This is a picture of the Ability Tree building. It has green and brown stripes near the top. There is a painting of Doug the deer on the wall! Many children wave or say hi to Doug. It's my choice to greet Doug, too!



Sometimes children watch through the bus windows for the Ability Tree building with stripes. When they see it, they know it's almost time to get off the bus. The bus will cross over a stone bridge.

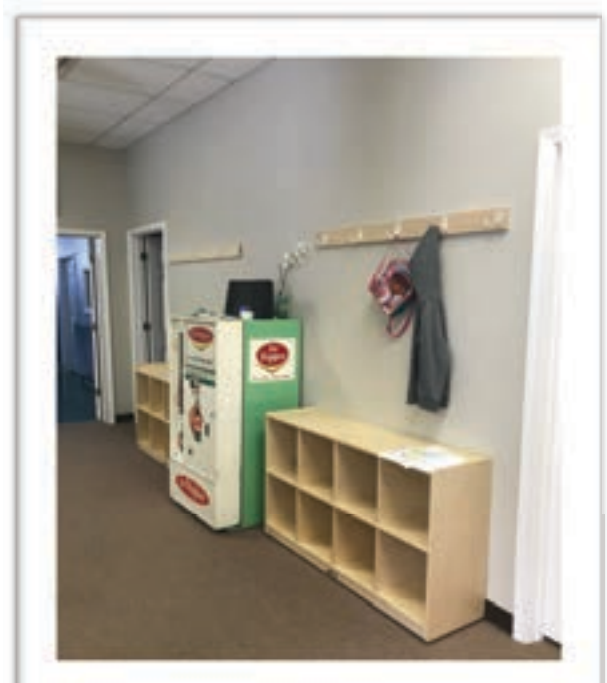
The bus driver will stop the bus. For safety, we will walk with the bus driver to the front door. There will be an Ability Tree buddy standing at the door, ready to walk with us into the building.



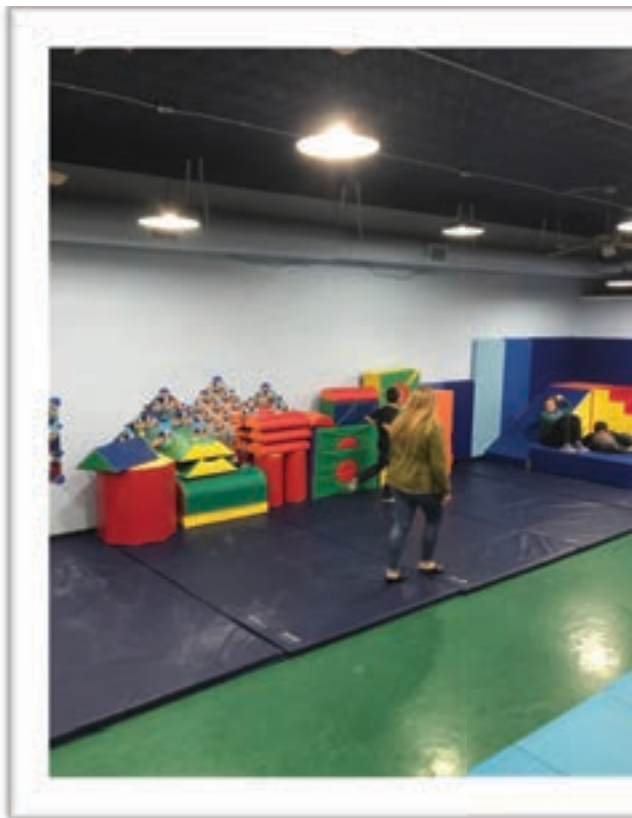


This is a picture of the front door. The door makes a 'ding-dong' noise when it opens. Sometimes that noise bothers people's ears. If that noise is uncomfortable for me, I may cover my ears with my hands.

This is a picture of the coat rack and cubbies. The racks are for coats. The cubbies are for shoes. It's okay to keep shoes on. An Ability Tree buddy will be there to help me!



This is a picture of the Ability Tree treehouse. Many children like to go there! Inside the treehouse there are beanbag chairs and books to read. It is usually quiet in the treehouse.



In the Rec Center there are brightly colored, soft blocks. Children play with the blocks. I may have ideas about what to build.

At Ability Tree, there is a piano keyboard for children to use. Loud music may bother some people's ears. It's important to leave the sound where it is set.



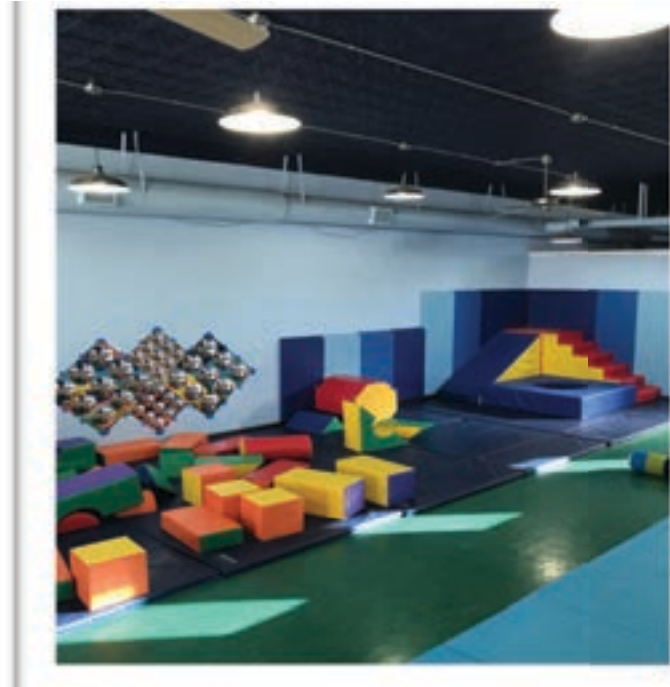
If I am tired or need a break, Ability Tree has a quiet and comfortable room where I may rest. There's a bench to sit on. I may watch cars and people going by.



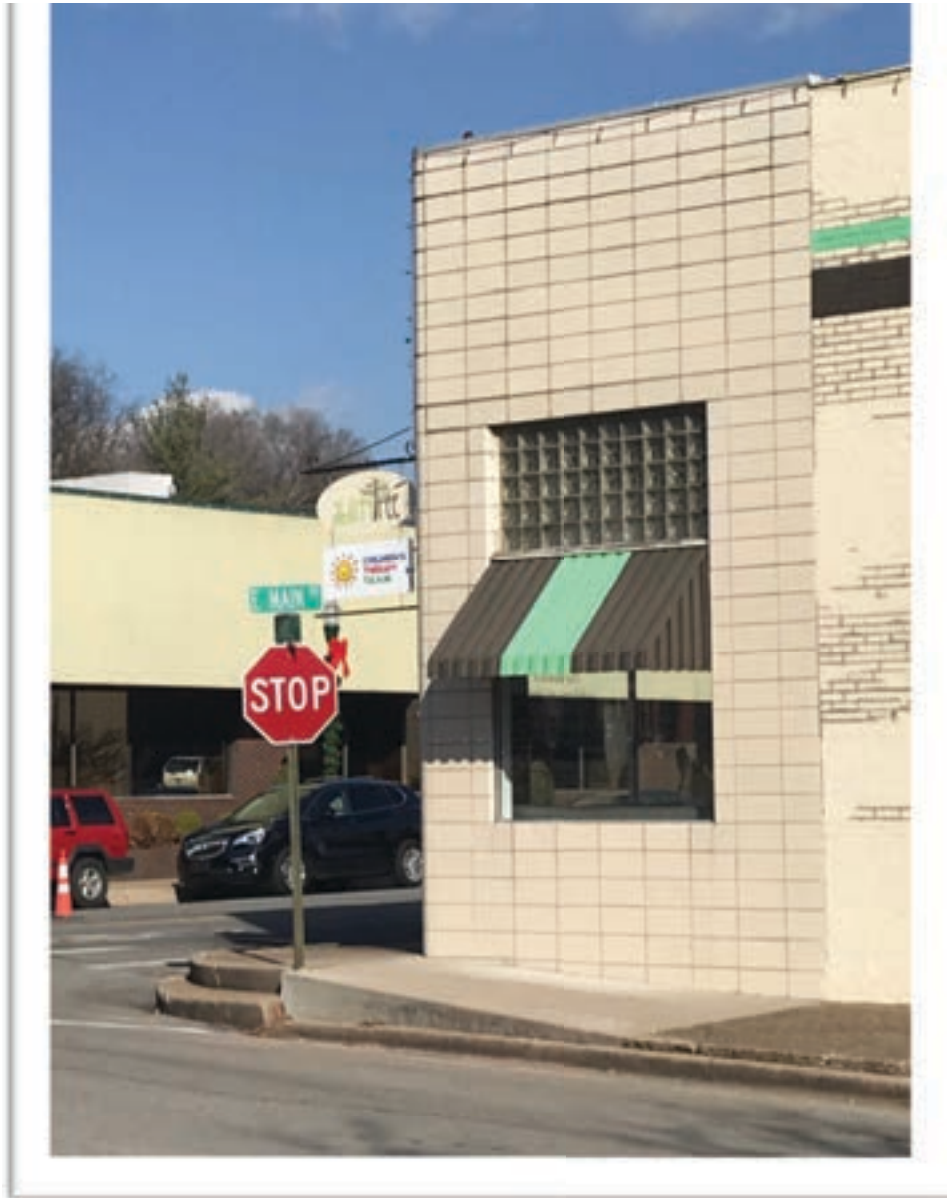
Sometimes spaces with a lot of
 children get noisy. I will be ok.
 I can go to the Sensory Room. It
 has a bubble tube with blue, green,
 and red lights. There is quiet music
 playing and a big comfy bean bag.
 It is a safe and quiet place.



A few minutes before the end of the school day, it's important to work together to neatly stack the blocks. It's almost time to go home.



When we are leaving, I may see
through the Deer again at the
bottom of the ramp.



As we drive away, I may look back and think about my day at Ability Tree.