

#### **REGULATION-YOUNGER KIDS**

Teach your child ways to help their body calm down such as belly breathing (breath in like you are smelling flowers and breath out like you are blowing out a birthday candle) or guided imagery (the use of words, music or pictures to bring about positive imagery scenarios).

#### **Lazy 8 Breathing**

Our skating rink is shaped like an 8 on its side. The skaters glide along the ice, smooth and slow. Skate a figure 8 with your finger! Enter the rink and move up, tracing the left part of the 8 while you breathe in. When you get to the middle of the 8, breathe out while you trace the right part of the 8.



# 5 things activity

### 5 look

Look around for 5 things that you can see and say them out loud.

## 4 feel

Pay attention to your body and think of 4 things that you can feel.

### 3 listen

Listen for 3 sounds.

### 2 smell

Say two things you can smell.

#### 1 taste

Say one thing you can taste.







A child who can name how they are feeling can then develop skills to manage that feeling. Try using a "feelings chart" to help the child identify emotions. Think of fun ways to practice showing & naming different emotions. Depending on the child's age, ask the child for ideas on what the child can do when they are having a "big" feeling.