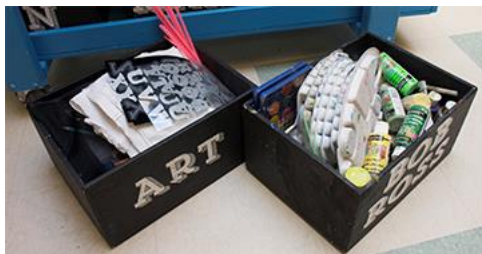


## CARTS

Setting up carts can be a collaborative activity. The materials you choose can impact play inquiry, creativity and imagination. Having materials organized and accessible will allow children to be independent and engaged.

### Planning and Using Carts

- Make decisions as to what and how much goes on each cart informed by the interests of the children.
- Create functionality and order by determining how the materials are used, then tidied.
- Support organization with photo labels.
- Organize multiple carts by theme and function, e.g. snack, crafts, construction toys.
- Create more storage with containers or pockets that can be hooked or attached to the sides.
- Add a message board for the children to write highlights of their day and make requests for tomorrow's cart, e.g. "Out of tape".
- Feed your creativity, what other equipment or materials are easy to move, store and don't require a lot of space?



### Building a cart

It could be a great collaborative project with the children to encourage them to be creative and work as team. This will also give them ownership of their program.

Engage them in every step of the process including planning, purchasing materials, building, and organizing.

How to build a cart video:

[www.youtube.com/watch?v=WCJMvD9In1U](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WCJMvD9In1U)