Activity Title: Fashion Show

Objectives:

- Encouraging a sense of competence
- Building consistent adult-child relationships
- Social skills

Materials:

- Video camera
- Digital camera
- CD player for background music

Methods:

Facilitator Preparation

1. Have music playing in the background for during the fashion show
2. Have a list of names in the order the participants will walk
   a. Have participants matched into pairs and stand with each other before walking to encourage social interaction between generations
   b. The order in which they walk should alternate by pair, so it should alternate between adult and child participants
3. Announce the participants name and something about them to make it fun!
4. At the end of the “catwalk” ask each participant to tell the audience a little bit about what they are wearing and why

Intergenerational Participants

1. Match up with your partner and sit together somewhere near the runway.
2. When your name is called walk down the runway and show off your awesome outfit!
3. At the end of the runway, stop and say a little bit about why you chose your outfit and what you like about it.
4. Wait for your partner to finish walking and return to your seats to finish watching the runway. Make sure to clap and cheer everybody on!
5. Feel free to ask anybody questions about their outfits!

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Special Considerations

- This activity requires planning ahead of time because participants have to bring outfits from home.
- Participants that are waiting to walk should be in a position where they can see the fashion show while it is going on.
- Discussion should be encouraged while the participants walk.
- Make sure to accommodate the runway area for participants in wheelchairs.

Key Conversation/Facilitation Questions

- For what occasion did you originally get that outfit?
- Can you tell us who you are in that beautiful costume?
- What do you think of X’s outfit? What kind of event do you think X would wear that to?

Extensions and Themed Activities

- Upward Extension
  - Have pairs introduce each other and say a little bit about what their partner is wearing! This will encourage conversation between generations because they have to talk about their outfits in order to introduce them!
  - You can create two days of activities by including an art session where the group designs, colors and decorates a big piece of bulletin paper that can be a backdrop for the runway!
- Horizontal Extension
  - This would be a great activity to show off costumes for Halloween!