

# IMPROVEMENTS COMING TO HAPPY HOLLOW REC CENTER!

## PROJECT FOCUS

**Rebuild** Rebuild is a historic investment of hundreds of millions of dollars in neighborhood parks, recreation centers and libraries across Philadelphia for a more equitable Philadelphia.

### Playground Scope

- **New Playground**
  - Demolish existing playground replace with new inclusive playground equipment
  - New safety surface
  - Improved lighting
  - Security cameras
- **Pedestrian walkway from Wayne Ave**
- **Breezeway between 1911 Rec Center and 1958 Gym**

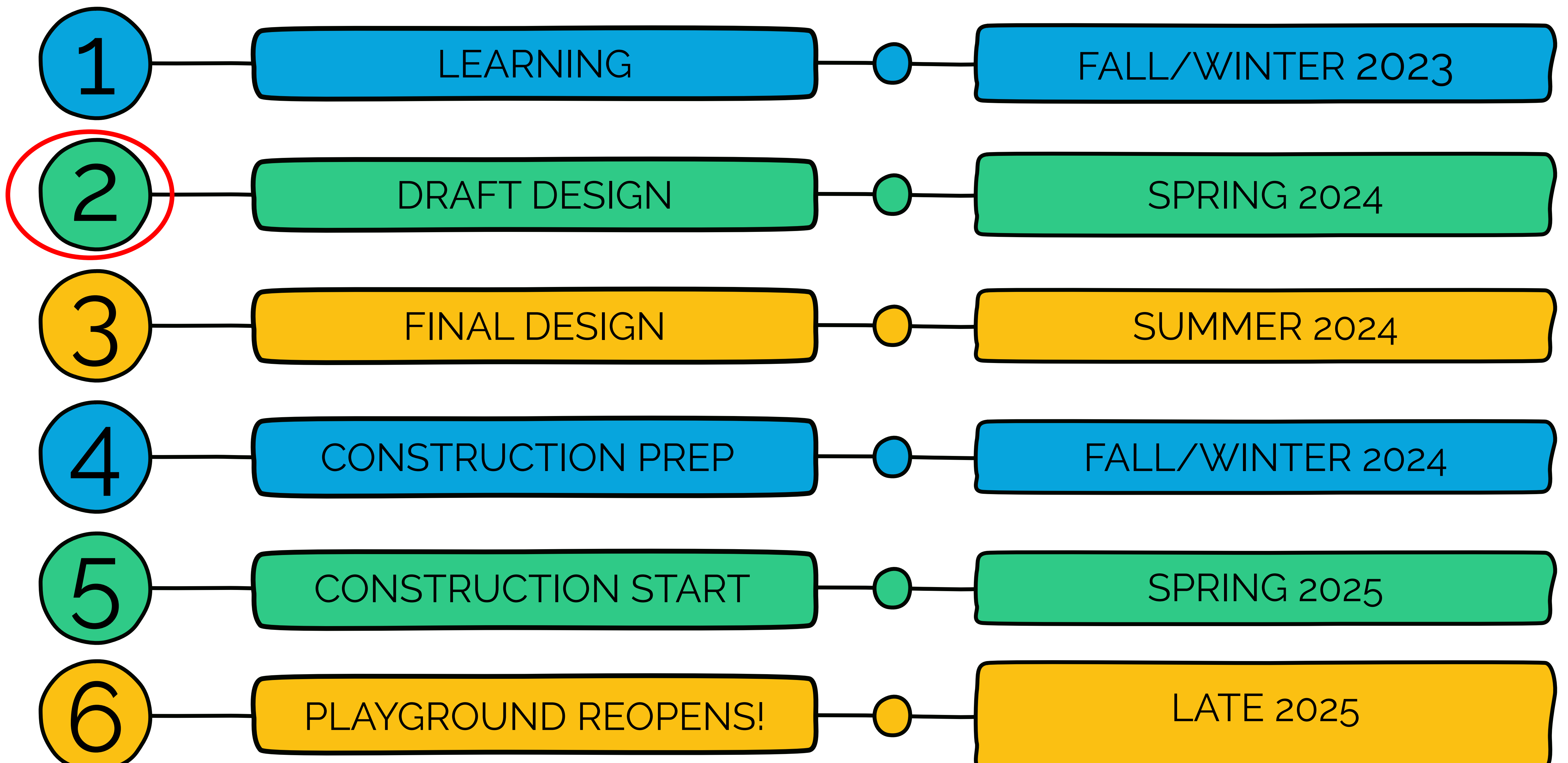
### Historic 1911 Recreation Center Scope

- New roof + ceiling repair
- Sidewalk improvements
- Plumbing, electrical systems improvements
- HVAC replacement
- Asbestos abatement & lead remediation
- Exterior masonry, sealant, caulking
- ADA bathrooms
- Ceiling repair
- Upgraded WiFi infrastructure
- Updated lighting



**Aerial View of Happy Hollow Playground**

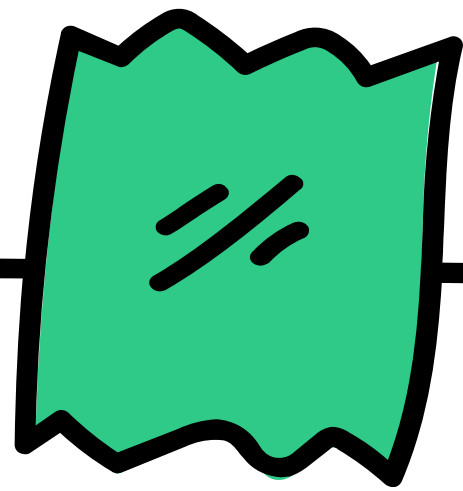
## PROJECT TIMELINE



# WHAT WE'VE LEARNED



Photo taken from January 2024 youth engagement session at Happy Hollow Rec Center



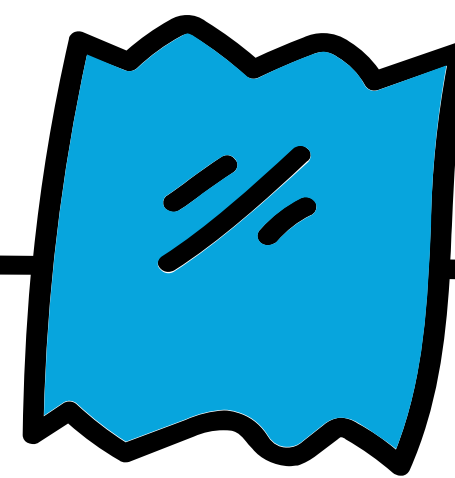
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**Stakeholder Level Meetings**

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**Public Meetings**

**(November 2023 & January 2024)**



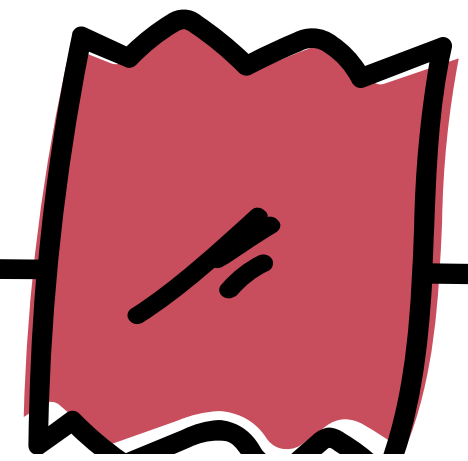
**Playground equipment by age group rankings**

**(Ages 2-5):**

Platform climbing and swings most popular option across all age groups.

**(Ages 5-12):**

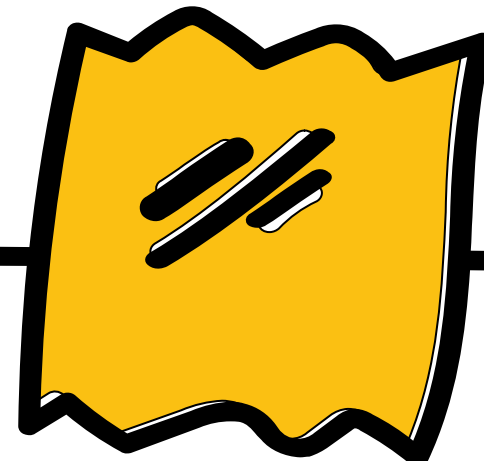
While swings held the top spot for youth, adults preferred platform climbing.



**Specialty Zone Interest Ranking [By Adult Participants]**

- 1. Fitness Equipment**
- 2. Pre Teen Gathering Area**
- 3. Tot Lot**

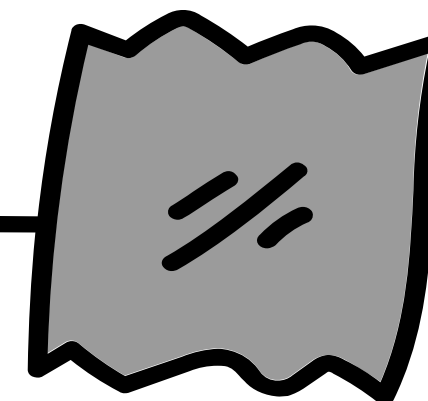
Fitness equipment ranked the highest followed by a tie between Pre Teen Gather Area & Tot Lot. Additional stakeholders shared that a Tot Lot should be a top priority,



**Other Site Features**

Elements to reflect local history that the site was a Rock Quarry

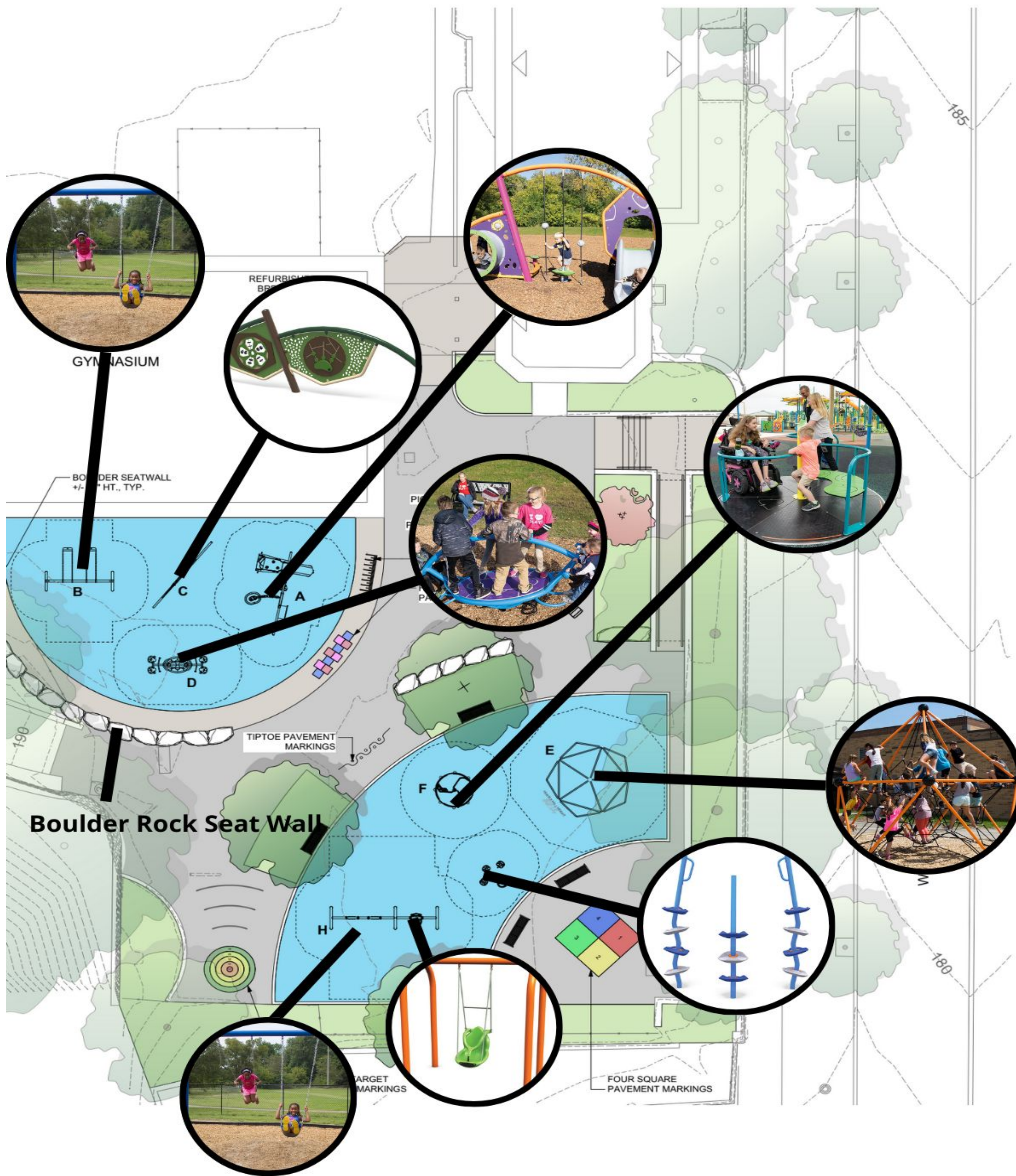
Inclusive Play Equipment  
Desire to see ADA swings and other play equipment for kids with physical and neurodivergent needs



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**TOTAL REBUILD MEETING PARTICIPANTS**

# Option A Plan



**SITE PLAN LEGEND**

- EXISTING CANOPY TREE TO I
- PROPOSED CANOPY TREE
- PROPOSED ORNAMENTAL TR
- CONCRETE PAVING
- ASPHALT PAVING
- RUBBERIZED SAFETY SURFA
- PLANTING BED
- PICNIC TABLES
- GAME TABLE
- BENCH
- TRASH RECEPTACLE

- PLAY EQUIPMENT**
- Ages 2-5  
 A. Burke - Level X Launch  
 B. Burke - Swings 5" Arch w/ (2) bucket seats
- Ages 2-12  
 C. Burke - Play Panels BB3292  
 D. Burke - Orbit Rocker
- Ages 5-12  
 E. Burke - RopeVenture - Vertex  
 F. Burke - Inclusive Orbit  
 G. Burke - Triple Approach
- Swings  
 H. Burke - 5" Arch w/ (2) belt seats, (1) 'Freedom' accessible seat (Ages 2-12)
- RUBBERIZED SAFETY SURFACE**  
 Total Area = 4,530 SF



**Ground Reconsidered**  
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Project Title	Issue No.
Happy Hollow Recreation Center	Scale
Sheet Title	1" = 10'
Playground Concept A	Revision
	Sheet No.

What do you like most about this option?

What would you change about this option?

# Feedback Option A



Grab a post-it! What are some of your additional thoughts + feedback?

How does Option#1 meet the needs of the youth at Happy Hollow?

A large, empty rectangular box with a thin grey border. In the top right corner, there is a grey, irregular shape representing a post-it note being stuck to the box.

If you could add anything to Option#1 what would it be?

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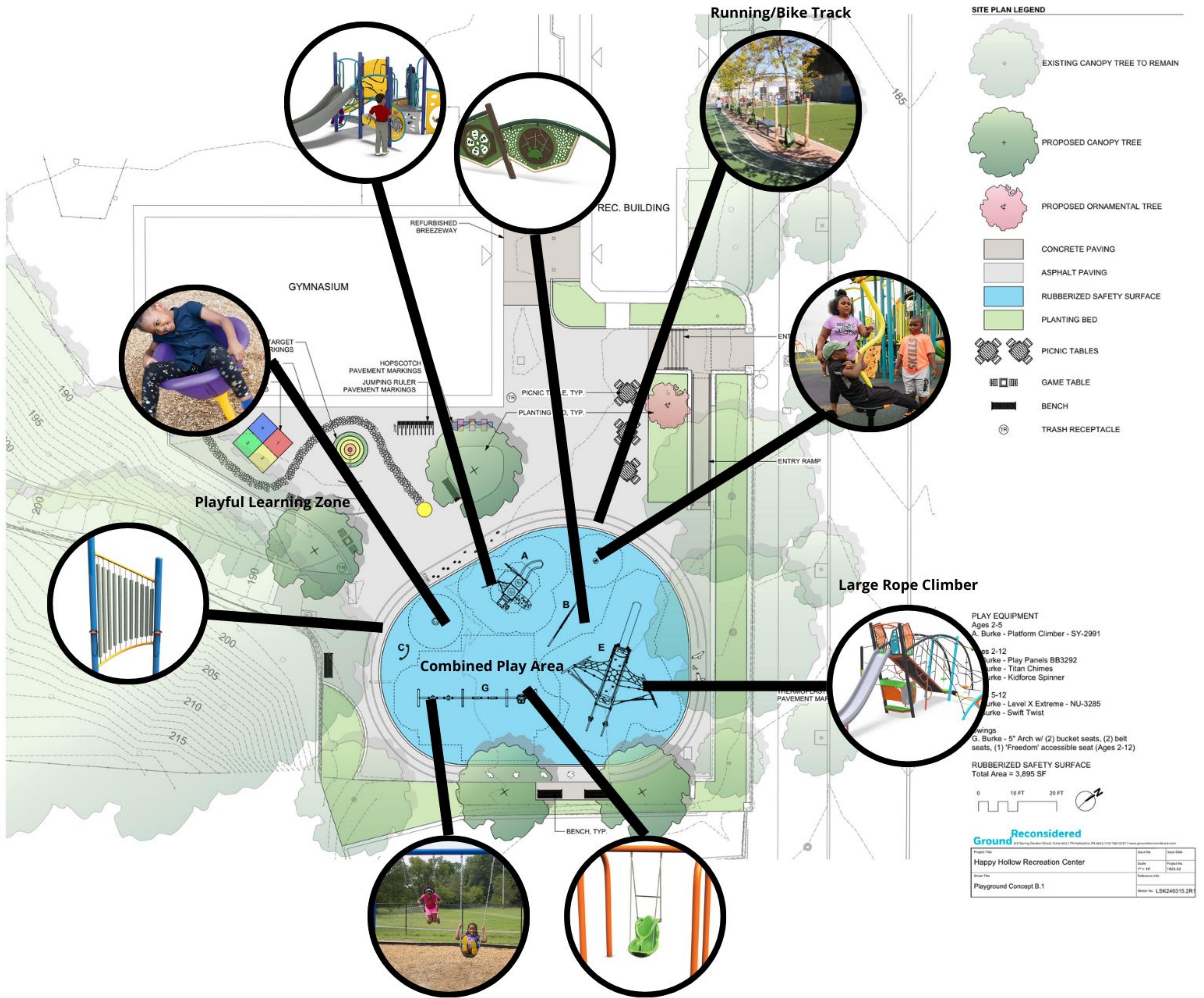
How might Option #1 make youth feel?

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Please provide any additional feedback below!

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# Option B Plan



What do you like most about this option?

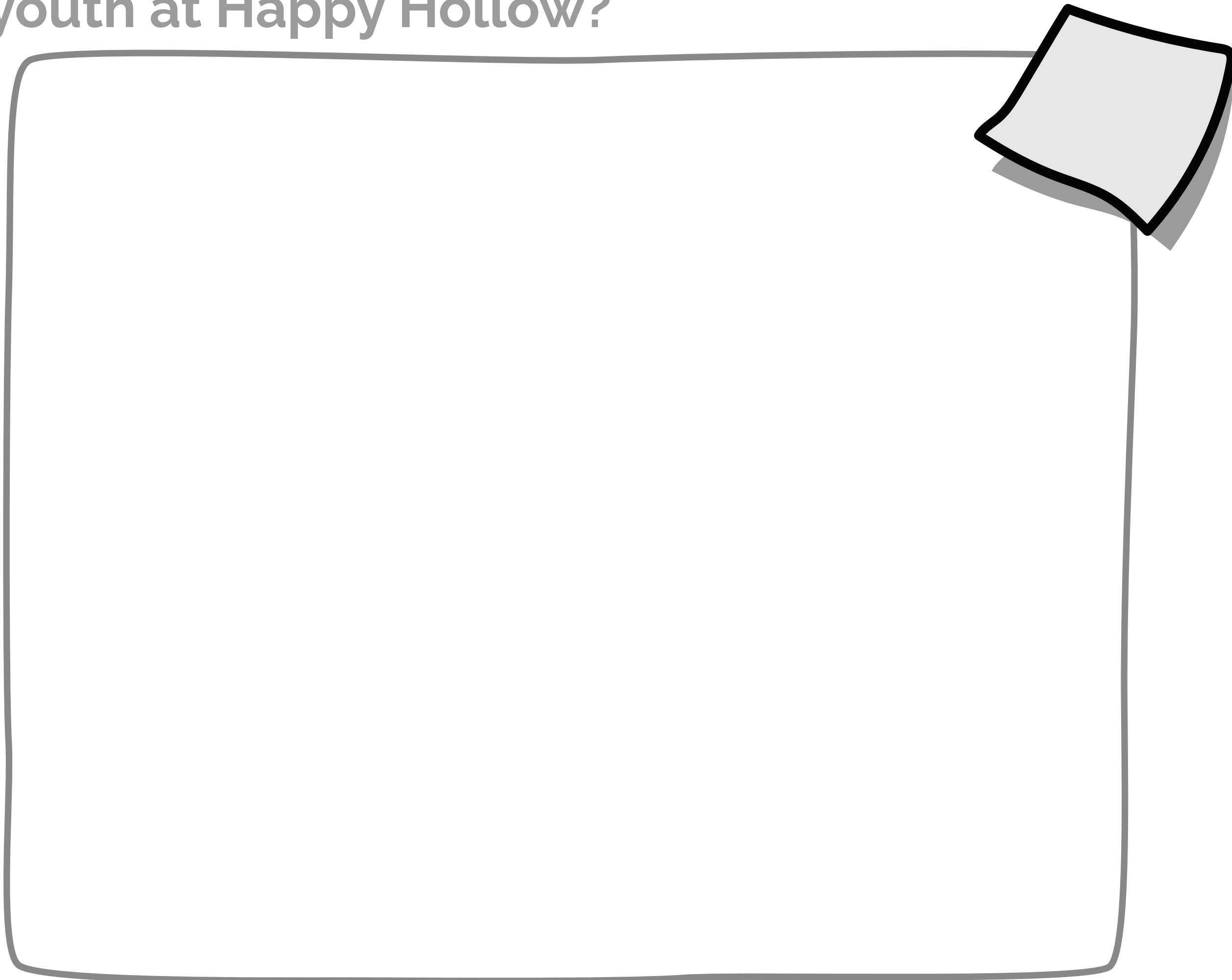
What would you change about this option?

# Feedback

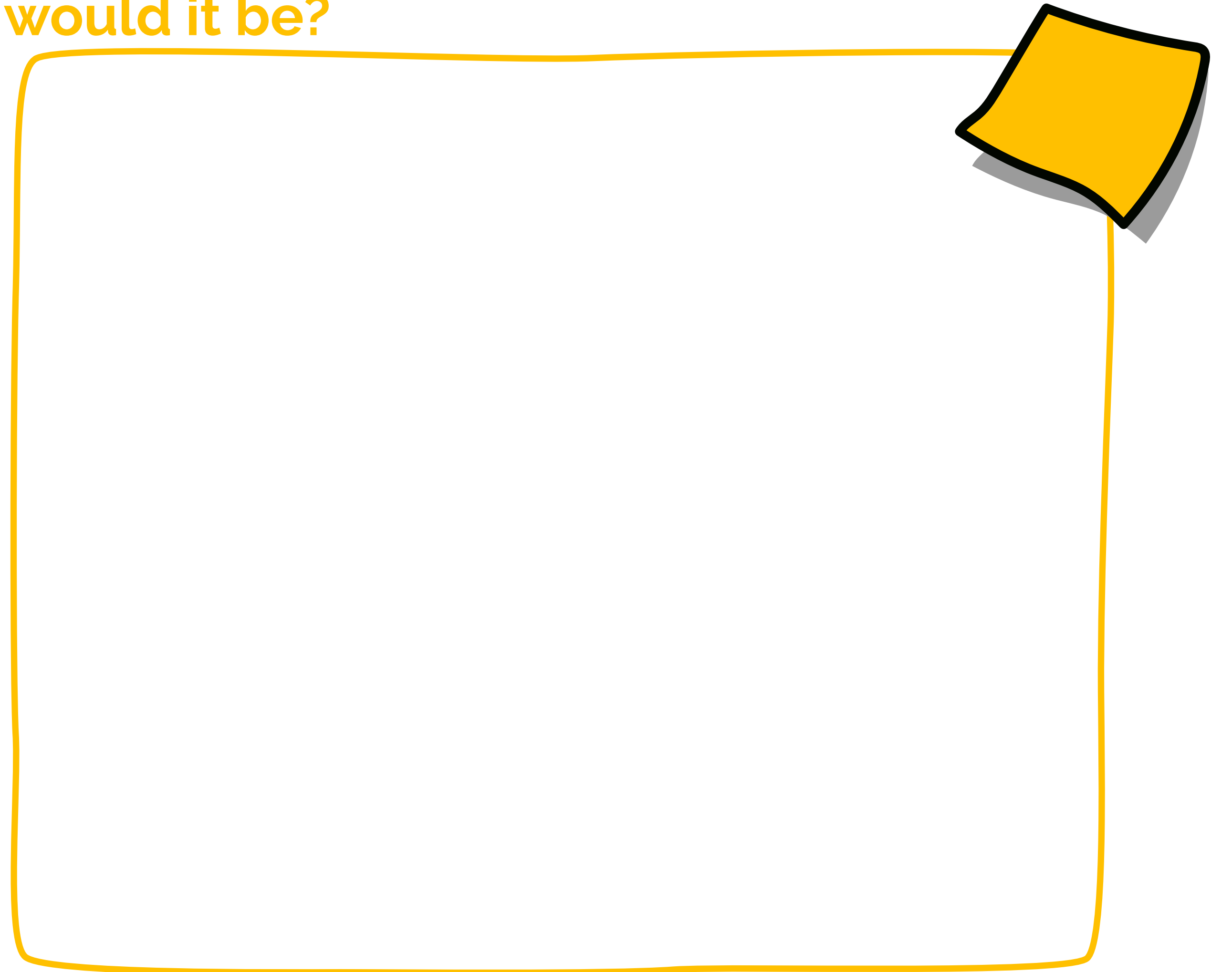
## Option B:

Grab a post-it! What are some of your additional thoughts + feedback?

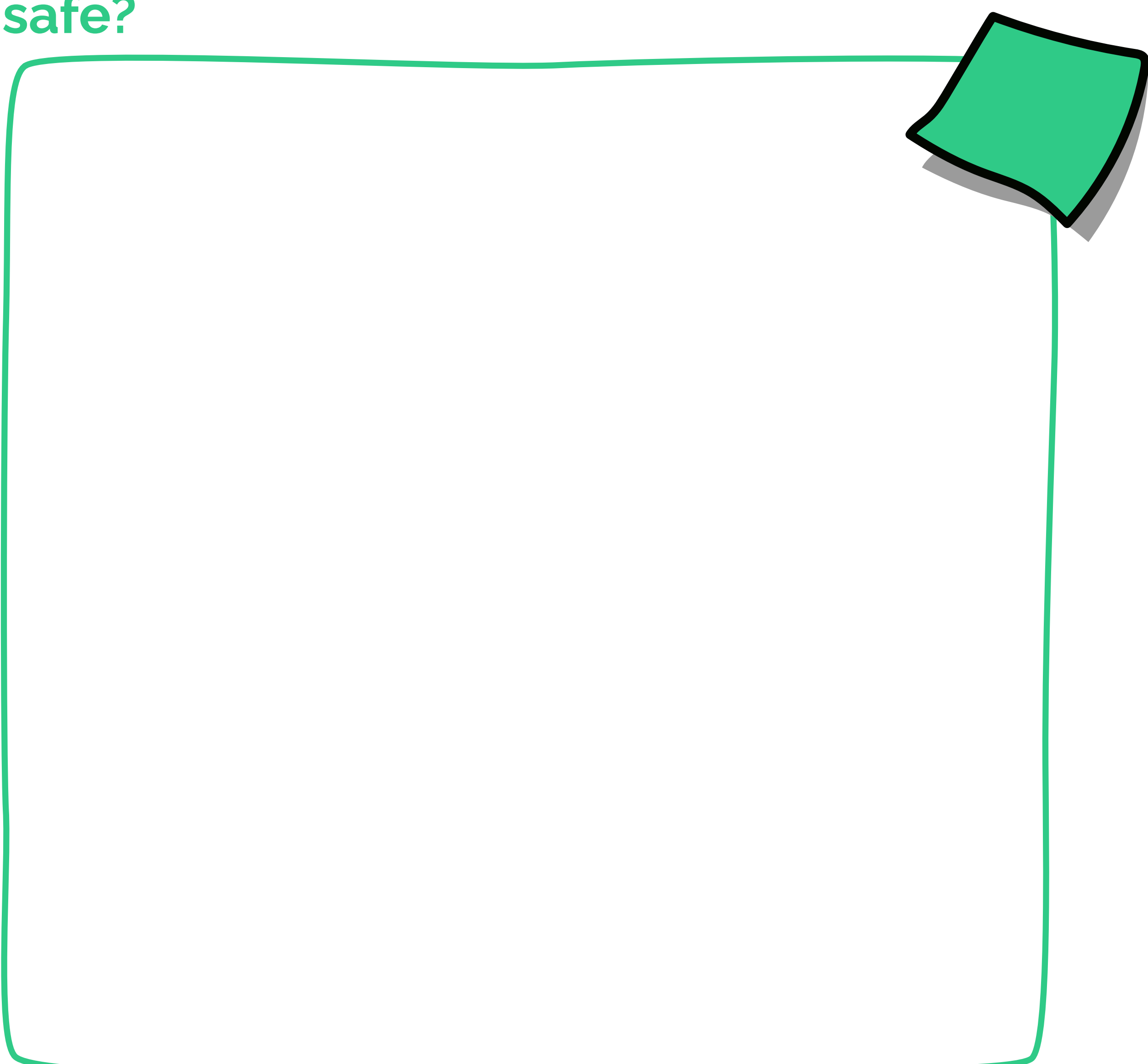
How does Option#2 meet the needs of the youth at Happy Hollow?



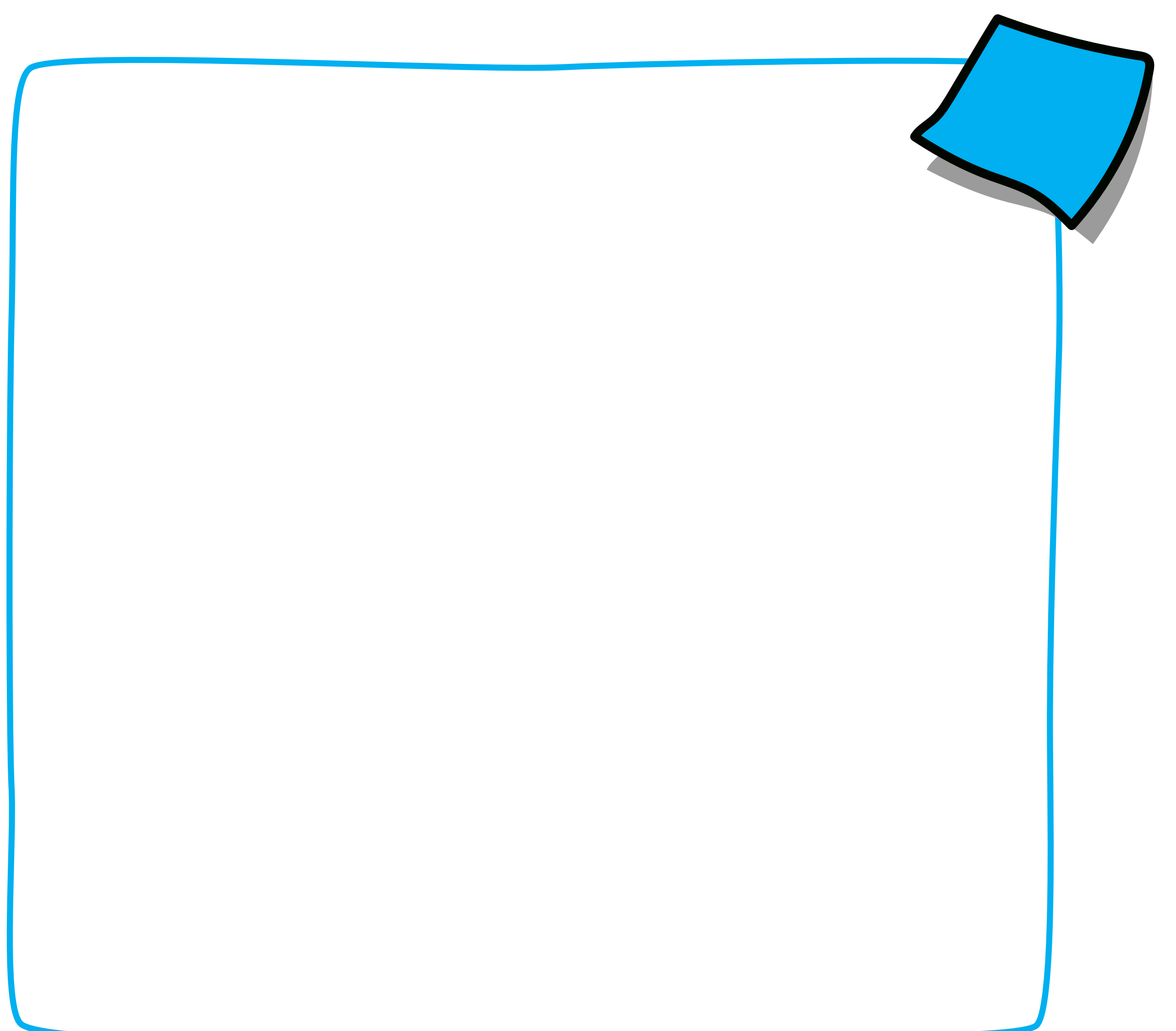
If you could add anything to Option#2 what would it be?



How does Option #2 make youth feel safe?



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# Playful Learning Inspiration

## What is Playful Learning?

Play guided by an adult (and/or the environment) towards a specific learning goal.

Youth learn best when the activity is:

1. **Actively Engaging**
2. **Meaningful**
3. **Socially Interactive**
4. **Iterative**
5. **Joyful**

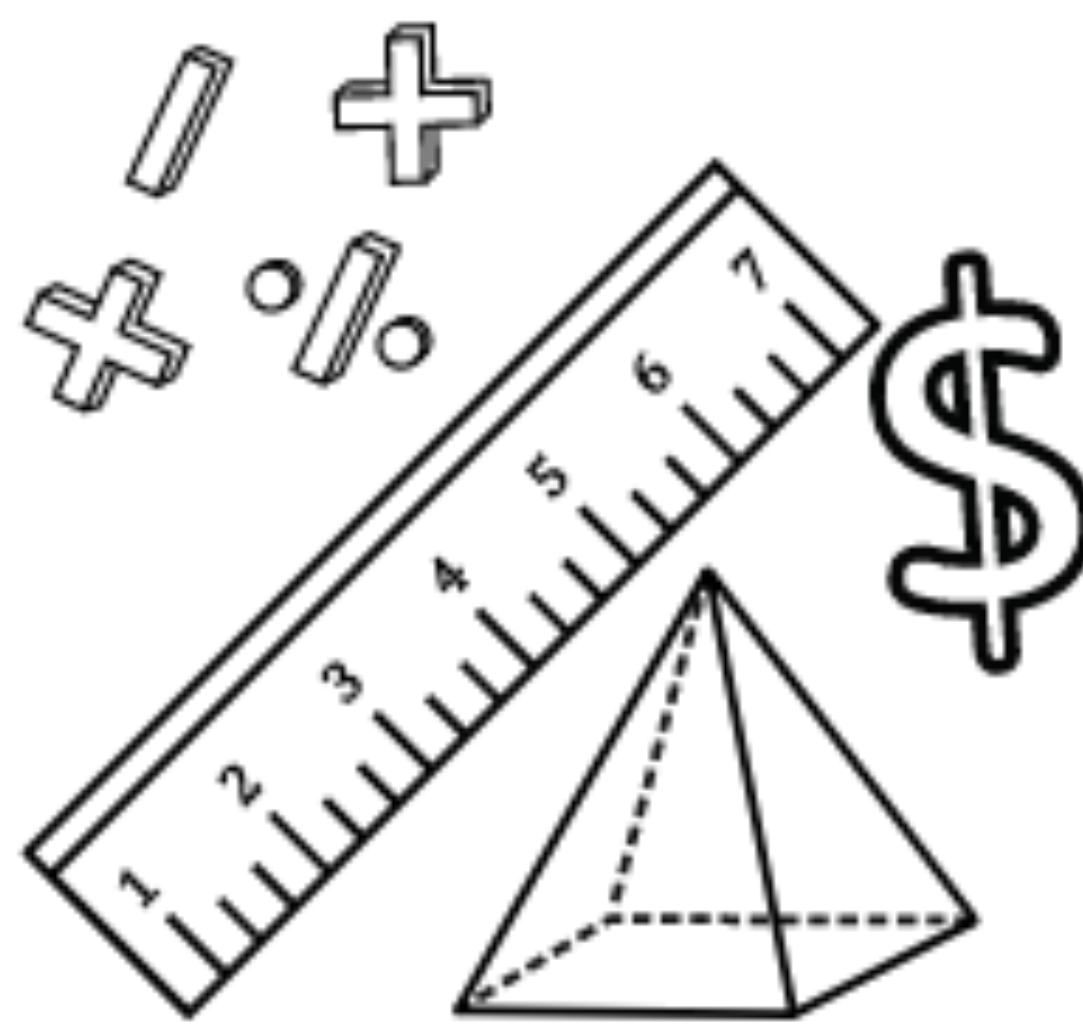


**Circle the topic** that you would like to see the youth at Happy Hollow learn about the most:



**science**

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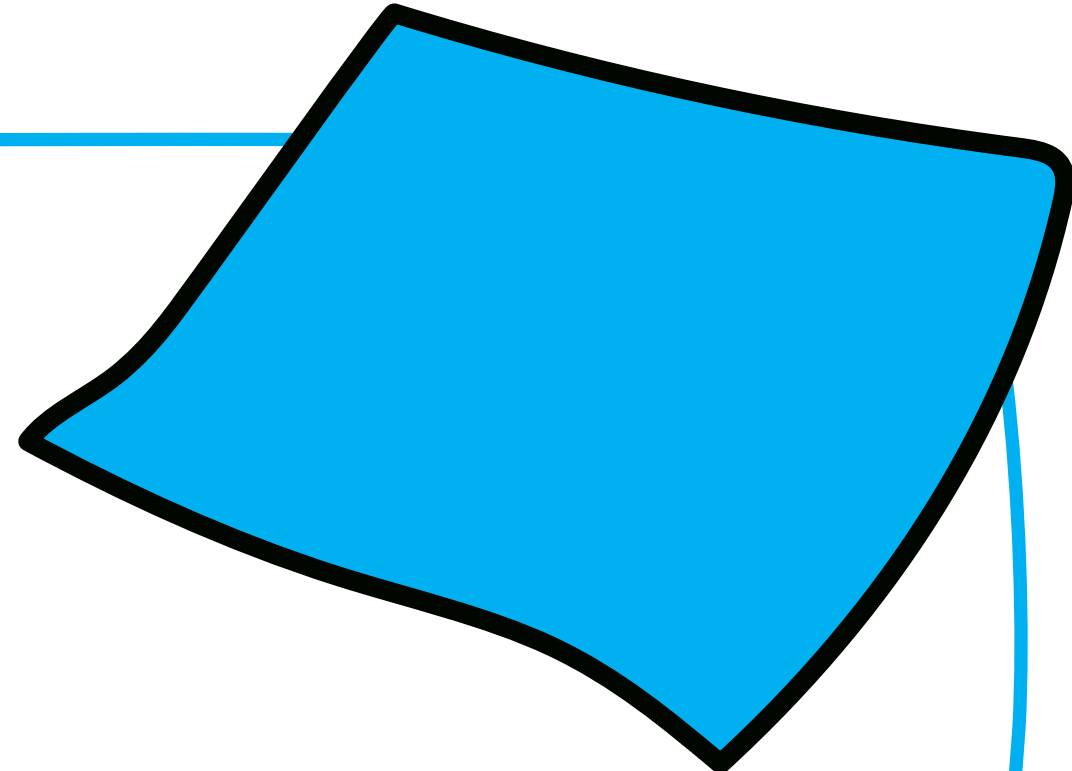
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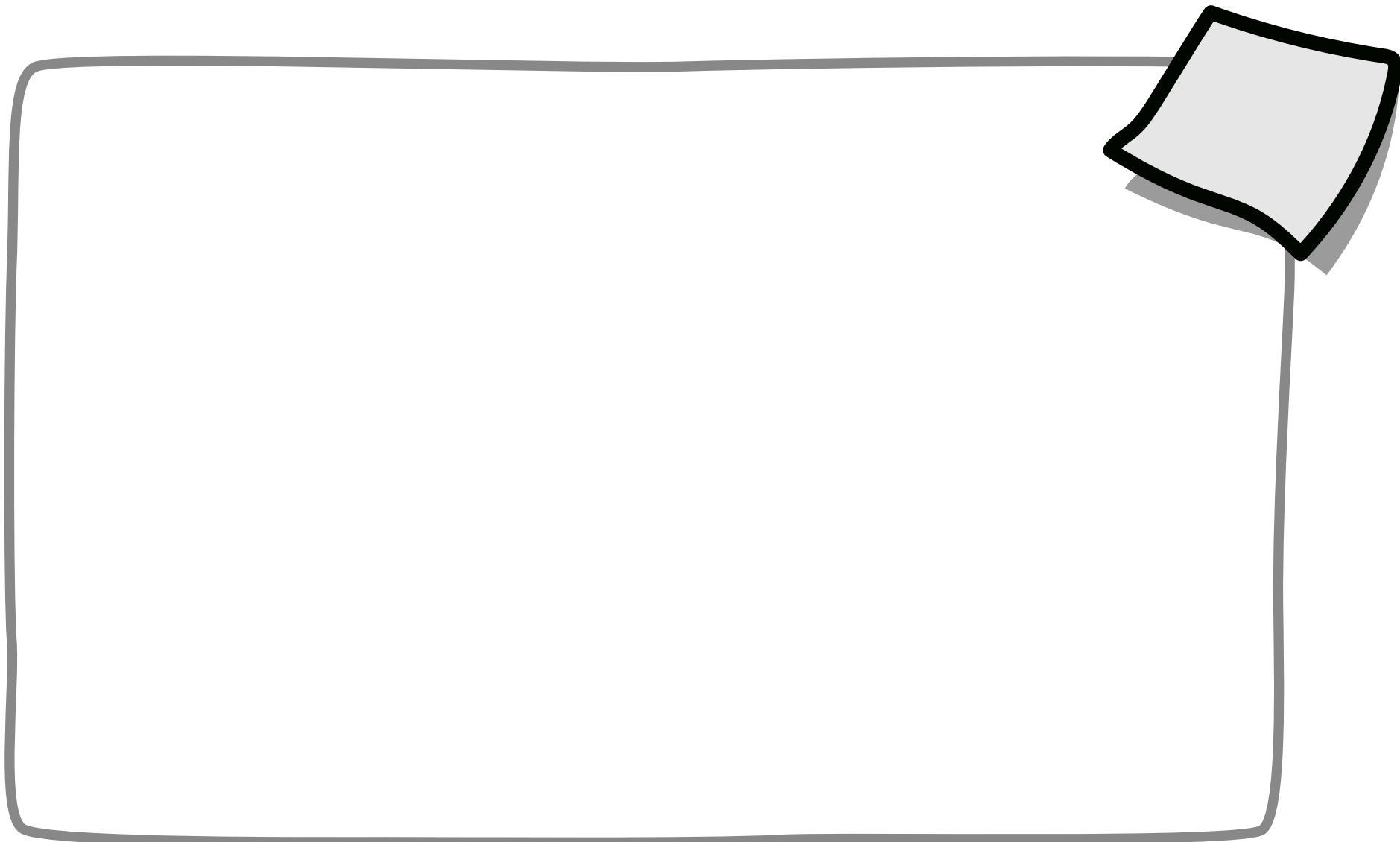


# Playful Learning Inspiration

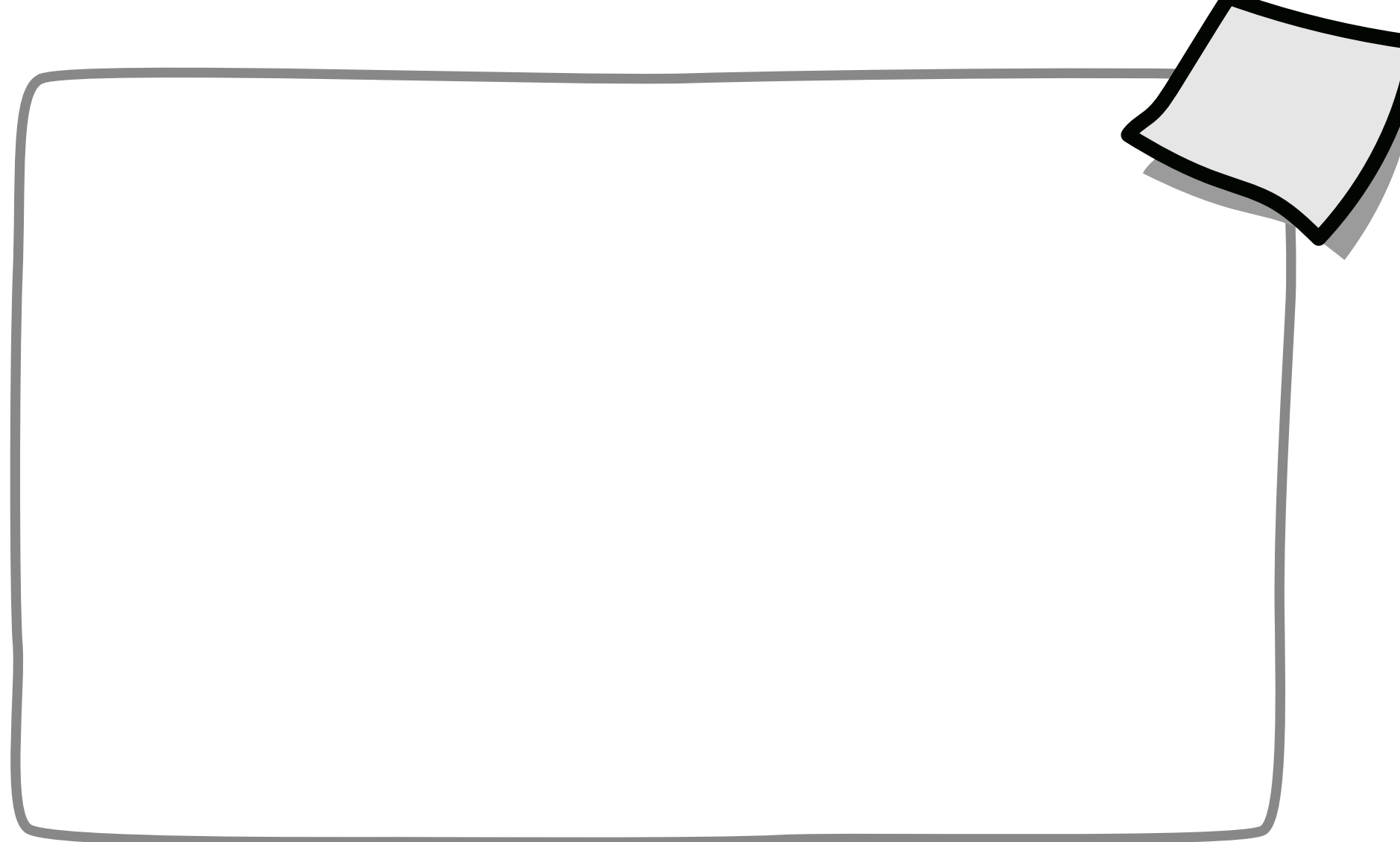
Tell us what you think about these forms of playful learning!



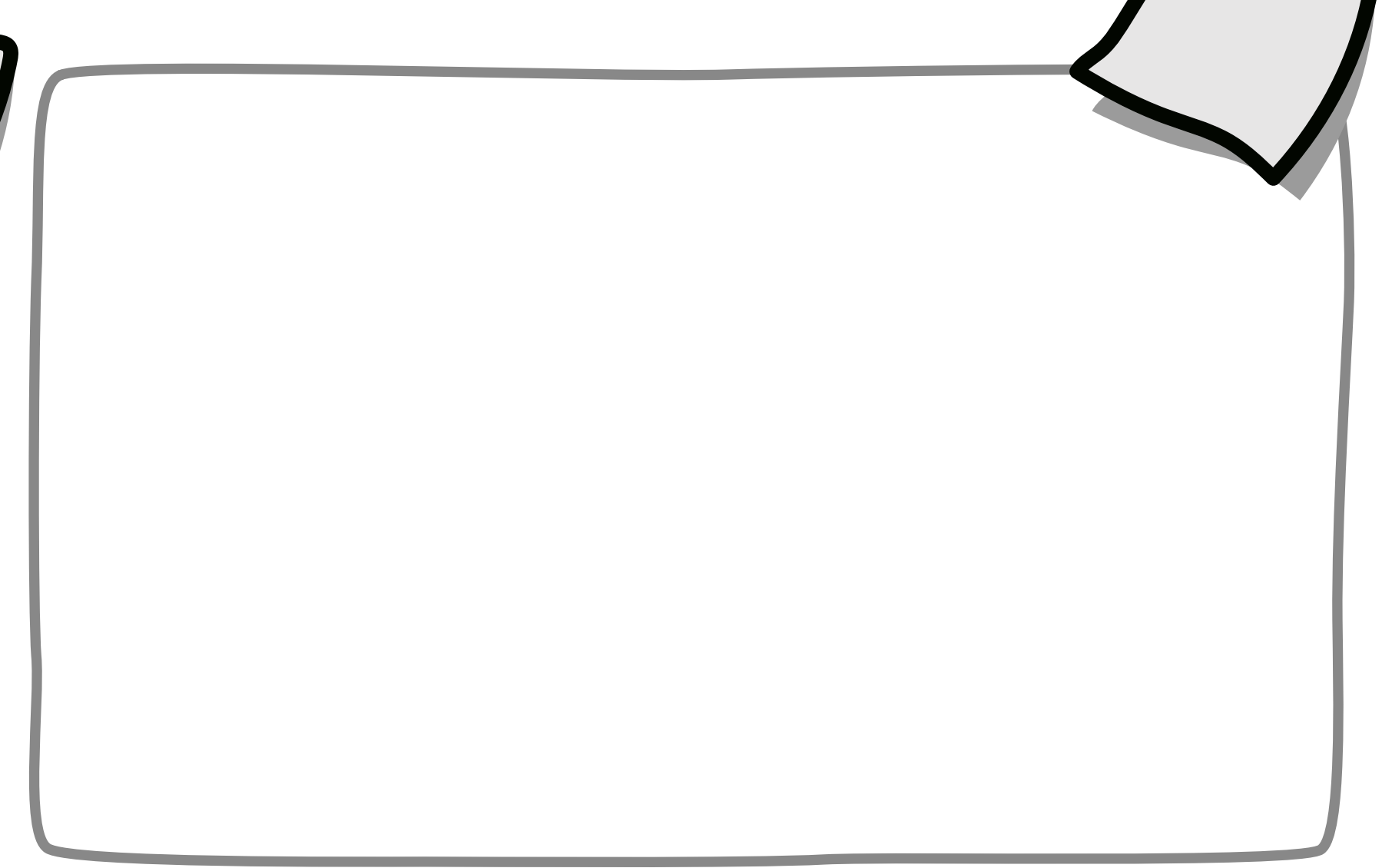
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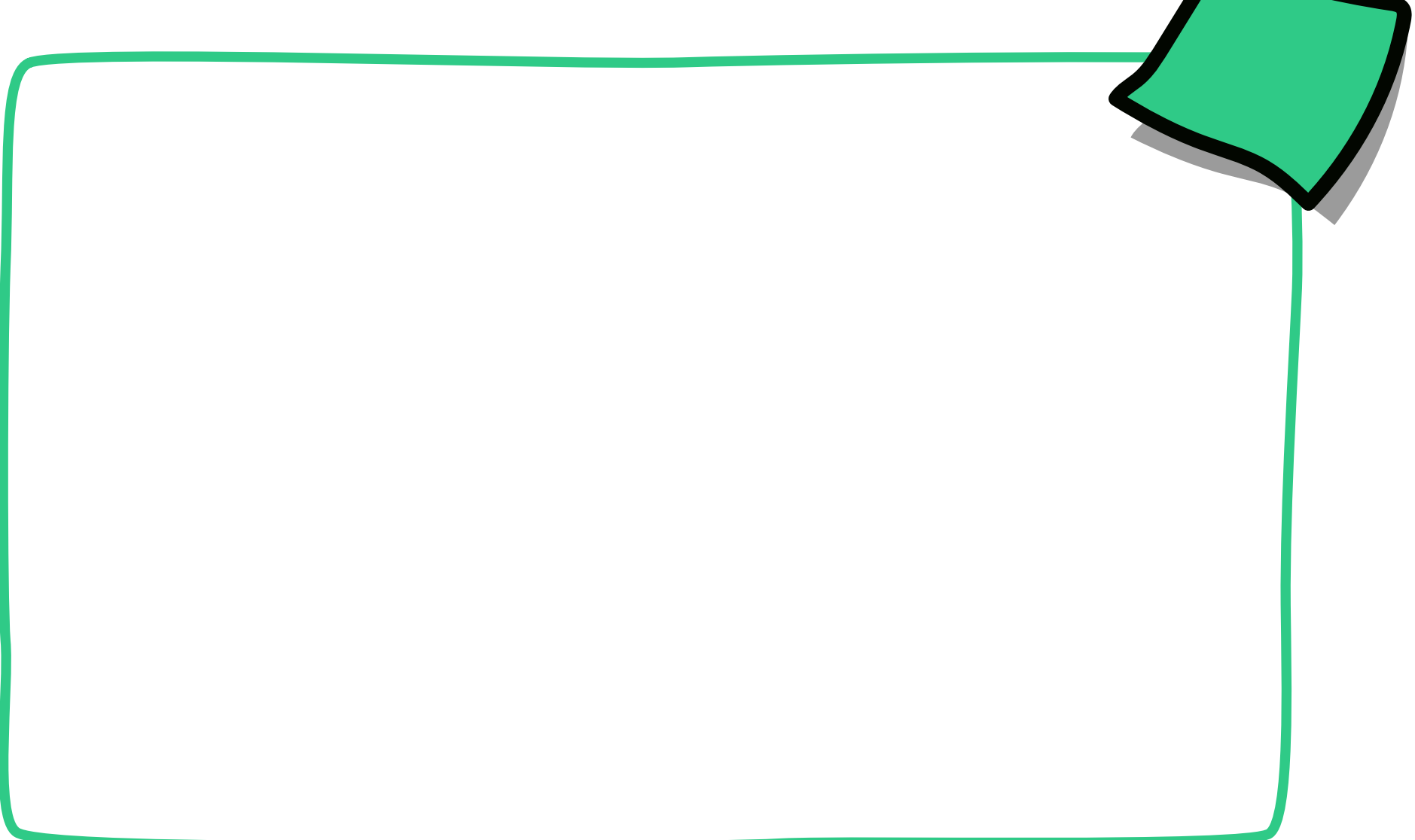
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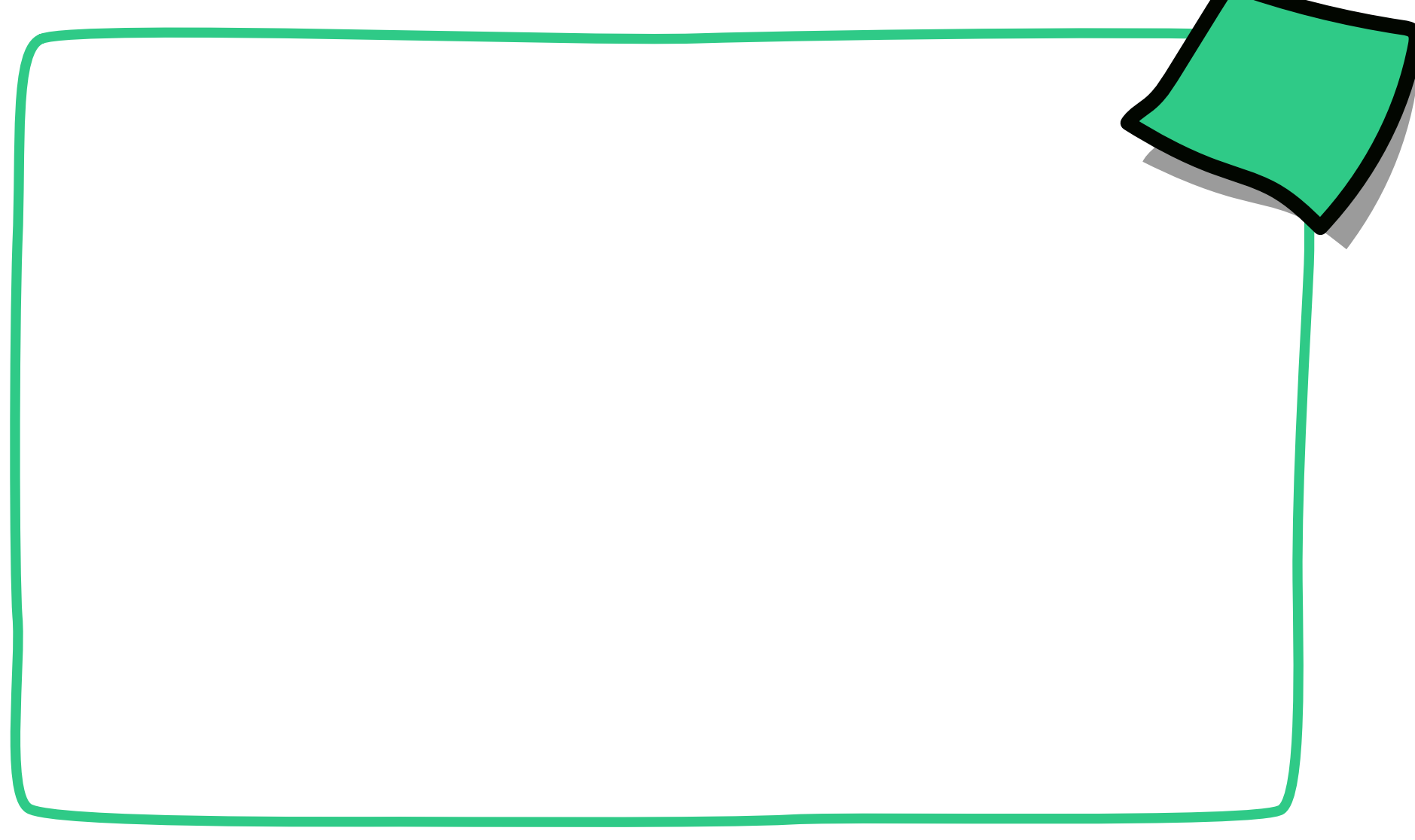
What would you add or change in this image?



What in this image catches your attention?



What does this image inspire you to try?



How would you play here?

