* Individual Reflection: Each Fellow will individually write (or create a short video on) a short reflection on the observation/interview experience(s). What did you learn about child development at this age? Include the reflections in this section of the final report.

The observation/interview process helped me develop a better understanding of elementary childhood development. Specifically, I realized how dynamic and rapid early childhood development can be. I also observed vast differences in developmental levels between students within the same classroom. Additionally, I developed a deeper interpretation for the value of providing instruction that fulfills the developmental needs of every student across all domains. This is critical to the development of the whole child and is supported by research that indicates academic performance, school attendance, and student behavior improves as these basic needs are met. This experience will help shape my philosophy as a future administrator because I will know what to look for to ensure that the students at my school are receiving developmentally appropriate instruction.