ECE 209-L

CONNECTING WITH A POTENTIAL FAMILY

Once you have identified a family that meets the criteria for your Infant-Family Case Study, you should:

- Contact the family.
- Introduce yourself as a:
 - BMCC student.
 - Studying infant/ toddler development and learning.

• Explain:

- You would like to interview the family for a class project
- The interview includes questions about the child's:
 - Birth
 - Early years & experiences
- Families can answer the questions that they wish to answer
- You will keep the family's information private and confidential.
- You need to spend approximately 1 hour with the family.
- The interview will be virtual.
- You will be working under tight deadlines.
- Ask:
 - Does the family agree to participate?
 - Can the family and child be available when you need them?
 - Think of your schedule. Ask if the family is available when you are free.
 - What's the best way to contact the family (phone calls, texts, emails)?
 - What are good times to contact the family?
 - When can you set-up your virtual meeting to interview the family?