The Letters of the Alphabet

Materials: Alphabet matching mat

 Blue Plastic Letters (capital letter set)

Guide: Show the alphabet matching mat (letter outlines displayed in an arc)

 Say – This is the alphabet. The letters in the alphabet are the letters we use to read and spell. Count with me and let’s discover how many letters are in the alphabet. [Teacher points to each letter and counts.]

 Say – There are 26 letters in the alphabet. [Teacher takes set of plastic letters and turns them face up.]

 Say – Let’s match these letters with the letters on the mat. [Students take turns matching the plastic letters with the letters on the mat – in sequence.] NOTE which students are naming the letters and which letters they name.

Repeat: Repeat this activity daily until students have matched all of the letters independently.

Closure: How many letters are in the alphabet? [26]

 Point to the beginning letter in the alphabet and point to the last letter in the alphabet. [This is A and this is Z]