# Using Kid Pix - Helpful Hints

(Copy one for each computer station)



### **To Open Program**

- 1. Insert CD into drive.
- 2. Double click on desktop icon.
- 3. Type in name or initials in log-in box.
- 4. Click GO.

### **Drawing Tools (pencil icon)**

- 1. Click left-hand side of toolbar to choose pencil, crayon, chalk or marker.
- 2. Select size of line by clicking on dot on lower screen. Medium is easiest to work with.
- 3. Be sure to completely enclose your shapes if you want to color them in.

## Painting Tools (paintbrush icon)

- 1. Click left hand side of toolbar to choose paintbrush, sound art or spray can.
- 2. Select the size brush and style of paint from the options on the toolbar at bottom.

### **Coloring Tools (Paint bucket icon)**

- Click this icon to color your picture. Choose solid colors/colored textures, stripes or patterns by clicking on the paint buckets at lower tool bar.
- 2. Use the up and down arrows for more selections. Click on area you want to fill.

### Rubber Stamps (next to text icon)

- 1. Click here to see the stamps.
- 2. Scroll up and down with the arrows at the lower toolbar to see all the stamps. Click on your page to add the stamp.
- 3. Change the size using the small, medium and large buttons on the bottom toolbar.

### Stickers (second icon at upper left)

Click to see Sticker libraries. Scroll up and down at lower toolbar to see all the possibilities. Click on a sticker to choose it. Click and drag to your page. Click and drag corner boxes to change the size.

### Backgrounds (top icon at left)

- Click to see the Background libraries. Scroll up and down at lower toolbar to see all the possibilities.
- 2. Choose a background by clicking on it, then click and drag to your page.

### Animations (third icon at upper left)

- Click to see the Animations libraries. Scroll up and down at lower toolbar to see the possibilities.
- 2. Click to choose, then click and drag to your page.

# Color Picker (paint splotch icon at lower left)

- 1. Roll your mouse over the paint splotch to see the colors.
- 2. Click a color to use it.

#### Text (Box with T in it at left)

- 1. Click here to add text. Choose the style and size of font from the toolbar at lower screen.
- 2. Click the green arrow on upper right to have your text read aloud.

### To ERASE

There are three ways to erase:

- 1. Erase the immediate last thing by clicking on the UNDO guy in the middle of the left-hand tool bar.
- 2. Erase small mistakes by using the small eraser tool at the bottom of the toolbar.
- 3. BEWARE!!! The large eraser will erase the ENTIRE PAGE!

#### To SAVE

- 1. Click on the disc icon on the upper right tool bar to save the picture.
- 2. Type in name and click SAVE.

#### **To PRINT**

- 1. Click printer icon on right hand tool bar to print.
- 2. Be sure to click "landscape" orientation.

#### **To Create a New Picture**

Click on the paper icon on the middle right hand side of the screen.

#### To EXIT

Click on the door on the right hand tool bar to exit program.