Sing My Name!

When greeting or addressing children, use your singing voice to create a simple melody with words.

Encourage children to answer you in their singing voice too!

For example:
Teacher: ♩♫"Can you sing your name for me?"♫
Child: ♫"My name is Abraham."♫
Teacher: ♩ "Good morning (or Hello), Abraham."♩

It is best to sing in your **head voice**, which is higher in pitch, and has a lighter, lifted quality to it. This allows children to echo you in a key that is appropriate for their developing vocal cords.

Use the same melody each time you do this activity so children can become familiar with it. For younger children, encourage them to sing their response with any melody they like; for added challenge, encourage children to echo you so that they sing their response with *your* melody! For DLLs be sure to include their native language. For children with limited speech and language, encourage them to respond with one word (e.g., "hello!"), their name, or hum along.