

Non-Event Ideas

As we move forward in our connections with families and student achievement, it is important not to limit ourselves to events or family nights. Select a goal on your table and use the examples below to guide non-event suggestions that could be used to connect with families.

Academic

Establish a space within your school for a family academic center where families can learn strategies and acquire tools to help their child at home

Dedicate a required staff evening to professional development on including families in learning strategies and student data

Share school data with both staff and families - how can we work together to improve?

Behavioral

Incorporate quick commercial breaks into current events to educate families on tips for behavior at home or informing them of new school policies

Teachers connect with families of struggling students by hosting a conversation over lunch breaks

Relationship Building

Encourage parent feedback and ideas when developing parent involvement compacts

School welcome and directional signs accommodating all languages spoken at the school

Positive Postcards and Phone Calls to families each month

Other

Conduct Porch Visits to local businesses and mail school newsletters to them to keep them updated on school happenings

Talk to local churches, businesses and organizations to determine if there might be communication connections through workplaces and places of membership

Non-Event Considerations:

What do we currently do that could become a learning connection for families with very little effort?

How might we be able to communicate learning strategies or other areas families can help in without dedicating an evening event to it?

Are there any common practices we have in our classrooms or buildings that would become more impactful with the input of families?

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