

Planning Your Family Literacy Night Flowchart

Choose a theme, book or character.

Plan an opening activity that the student and parents can do together as people are arriving.
As families arrive take a family photo with the literacy themed background to be given to each family at the end of the night.

Whole School Event

Grade Specific Event

Plan the welcome/ introduction.

Plan the number of activities and what they will be. Include a small snack at one station.

Make sure you consider the age of the group. Choose activities that involve the parents.

Plan the whole group activities and a snack. Suggested activities are games, a dance, and crafts. The snack is usually set up buffet style with trays of treats. Include door prizes and small prizes throughout the night.

Plan an ultimate goal that students are working toward. For example: a clue at each station that helps solve a mystery or a puzzle piece at each station that helps complete a riddle.

Plan a closing event- a story read to the students based on the theme of the night.

Plan closing- Pull students back together to solve the mystery/complete the puzzle. This is the time to give out books and loot bags.