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Media Press Release

NOVEMBER IS FAMILY ENGAGEMENT MONTH

The research on family engagement is clear! When Families are engaged in their child's education it's not just student achievement that improves but the morale and effectiveness of teachers and administrators also improve. Family Engagement Month is an opportunity to highlight and remind ourselves of the important role families play in the education and well-being of their children and the success of schools throughout the year. As the educational community analyses the impact of the learning lost during the COVID pandemic, research suggests that family engagement can be a critical piece of the solution.

We welcome you to share these activities and resources with your audience! Visit the ECAC Family Engagement Month webpage at: <https://www.ecac-parentcenter.org/family-engagement-month-2022/> for details and to download resources.

- **2022 Family Engagement Month Activity Calendars.** These calendars include resources and activities for families of Young Children ([English/Spanish](#)), Elementary ([English/Spanish](#)) and Middle/High ([English/Spanish](#)) School students.
- **2022 School Activity Calendars.** This [calendar](#) for teachers includes activities that welcome families and encourage their partnerships with schools and communities.
- **"Tell Us Something GOOD" AWARD.** Families who have children enrolled in NC public schools are invited to nominate their child's school for the, "Tell Us Something Good" award. The winning school will receive \$1000.00 to support family engagement and the parent that submitted the winning entry will receive a \$200 Gift Card. [Read more...](#)
- **Telling Your Story Webinar.** This training is for families of children birth - 5 years old who are interested in sharing their story. "Telling Your Story" is an interactive training and will explore the most effective ways to share their unique story to make a difference. [Read more!](#)
- **"Unseen".** ECAC and the North Carolina Council on Developmental Disabilities ([NCDDC](#)) invites you to join families and communities across the state in viewing the documentary "Unseen" on November 17th from 11:00 am – 1 pm. The demands of daily life can negatively affect the mental and physical wellbeing of parent caregivers. Following the documentary there will be a panel discussion featuring families, providers and policy makers as they explore what can be done to meet the needs of families and caregivers across the state. Watch the [trailer](#), and [REGISTER NOW!](#)

Help us to tell the story!

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**About the Exceptional Children's Assistance Center (ECAC ).** ECAC is a private nonprofit parent organization committed to improving the lives and education of ALL children, through a special emphasis on children with disabilities and special healthcare needs. This project helps families /caregivers navigate the special education system and provide families with the information and tools parents need to be an informed and active participant in their child's education! For addition