

## November is Family Engagement Month

Families, Schools and Communities Together Making a Difference

Join us in celebrating Family Engagement Month! It is an opportunity to highlight and remind ourselves of the important role families play in the education and well-being of their children throughout the year. This is a time to reflect on the best practices and strategies that support effective family engagement.

ECAC along with a collaborative group of families, schools, community and state partners, worked together to plan activities for Family Engagement Month that support family, school and community engagement. Take a look below at some of the activities planned for Family Engagement Month.

- <u>Family Engagement Month Activity Calendars.</u> These calendars include resources and activities for families of <u>Young Children</u>, <u>Elementary</u> and <u>Middle/High school</u> students. The calendars are also available in Spanish on our webpage.
- <u>School Activity Calendars</u>. This <u>calendar</u> for teachers includes activities that welcome families to connect with the school and community.
- <u>"Tell Us Something GOOD"AWARD.</u> 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 a family engagement activity and the parent that submitted the winning entry will receive a \$200 Amazon Card.
- <u>"Tool Time" Tuesday</u>: This is a 30 minute Facebook live / Zoom segment featuring a different activity calendar each week filled with resources and tools that you can use.
- <u>Virtual "Pass the Mic" Parent Panel</u> on November 18<sup>th</sup> from 6 pm 7:30 pm celebrating National Parent Involvement Day: Sherry Thomas, NCDPI Director, Exceptional Children Division will be the opening guest followed by theParent Panel. The panel will talk about family engagement, the role of parents and share their experiences of parenting a child with disabilities. Spanish interpretation will be provided. Families can <u>Register Now</u>.

For all the details, go to the Family Engagement Month web page at <u>https://www.ecac-parentcenter.org/family-engagement-month-2021/</u>. Share this link with families on your website and on Facebook. View sample posts from the Social Media Toolkit which is available on the webpage. For more information, contact Beverly Roberts, ECAC Family Engagement Manager at Broberts@ecacmail.org

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