

# FAMILY ENGAGEMENT MONTH



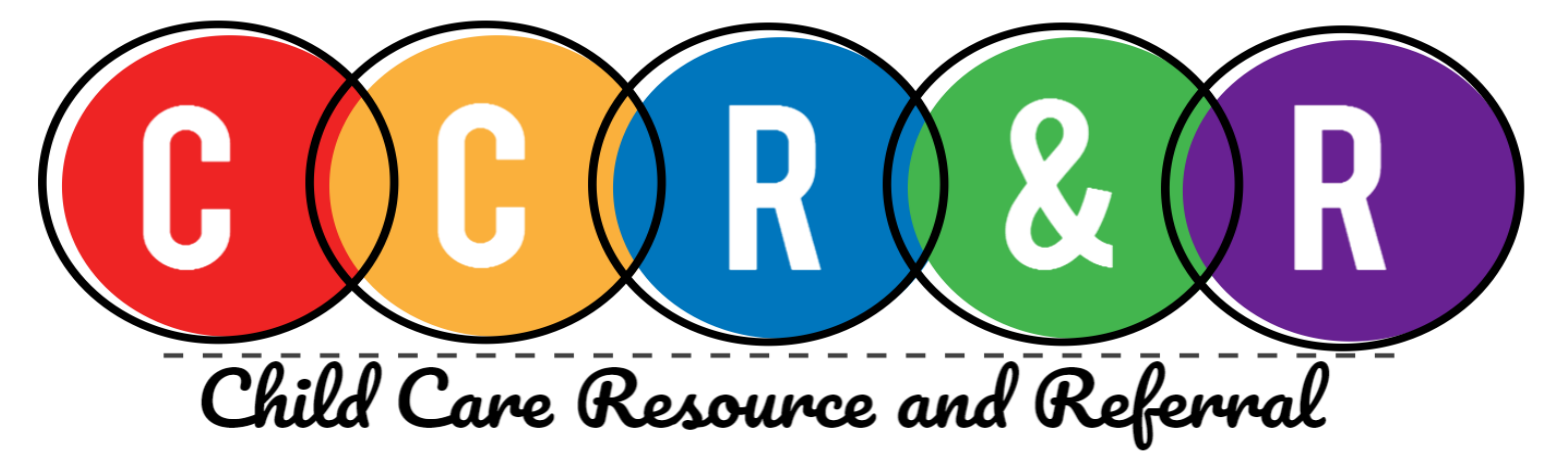
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Governor Rick Scott proclaimed November as Florida's Family Engagement in Education Month!				1 NATIONAL FAMILY LITERACY DAY Visit your local library or bookstore and read together.	2 <a href="#">Read to your children daily.</a> Research shows that it helps your child become a reader.	3 Connect with other parents and plan educational activities, such as a <a href="#">trip to the children's museum.</a>
4 Plan a <a href="#">day with no electronics.</a> Read books, play board games or do puzzles with your child.	5 <a href="#">Praise your child for their efforts</a> rather than their abilities.	6 Use <a href="#">facial expressions</a> and have your child guess the emotion you are showing. Are you happy, sad, or angry?	7 NATIONAL PARENTS AS TEACHERS DAY Parents are their children's first and most important teachers.	8 <a href="#">Have fun with science.</a> During bath time let your child discover which objects will float and which objects sink.	9 Listen to different types of <a href="#">music</a> and sing different types of songs.	10 VETERAN'S DAY Talk to your child about why we <a href="#">honor those who courageously serve our country.</a>
11 Visit a local park or other attraction and talk about what you see. Find out about the <a href="#">Junior Ranger Program.</a>	12 AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK Thank a teacher or child care provider for the work they do. Talk to your child about the importance of learning.	13 As a family, <a href="#">learn more about recycling</a> efforts and pledge to reduce, reuse and recycle.	14 NATIONAL CAREER DEVELOPMENT DAY Explore and <a href="#">talk about different jobs or careers</a> with your child.	15 NATIONAL PARENT INVOLVEMENT DAY Take the <a href="#">Pledge</a> and let your child know you're committed to their success.	16 <a href="#">Talk, read and sing to your baby</a> or young child every day. It helps your child's brain development.	17 Talk with your family about <a href="#">helping others</a> and why it is important.
18 Take a walk through your home and help your child find everything that has <a href="#">numbers</a> on it.	19 Invite your child to <a href="#">help you plan a meal</a> , make a grocery list, shop and help prepare the meal.	20 Use "downtime" in the car or on a walk to sing songs or teach <a href="#">nursery rhymes</a> to your child.	21 Flip through old family photo albums. <a href="#">Tell stories to your child about family members.</a>	22 THANKSGIVING DAY Talk about things for which <a href="#">your family is grateful.</a>	23 <a href="#">Make up a story</a> to tell your child about a favorite family member or friend.	24 Encourage conversation among family members at the <a href="#">dinner table.</a>
25 Have your child find <a href="#">numbers, shapes or colors</a> during the day. Focus on one of these and see how many he can find.	26 Connect with <a href="#">Vroom</a> and turn everyday moments into brain building moments.	27 Ask your child to <a href="#">stack blocks or sort objects by size.</a> This helps them to become problem solvers.	28 Play your favorite <a href="#">music and dance</a> with your child.	29 <a href="#">Listen!</a> It's the #1 thing a parent can do to support their child.	30 Spend time <a href="#">talking to and listening</a> to your child every day. Asking specific questions lets your child know you are really listening.	

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**As a parent, guardian or caring adult,** I pledge to support my child's education and healthy development to the best of my ability because **I am my child's first teacher.**

I have high expectations for my child and want them to succeed in school and in life.

I pledge to stay involved, serve as a positive role model and maintain open communication with my child's teachers to ensure education remains a top priority in my household.

I understand that it is my responsibility to stay informed and involved in all parts of my child's education and well-being.

Education is the key to success, and I will do everything I can to promote my child's ability to learn.

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