

Dear Educator,

Thank you for downloading our Family Night resources. Getting parents on board with a new *PhD Science*® curriculum can feel daunting, but it doesn't have to be. Hosting a parent night is a great way to introduce the curriculum and gain familiarity with its approach.

To help you plan your Family Night, we've included a variety of resources in this pack, including invitation templates, an overview, a handout, and directions for the night with stations.

We appreciate your work as an educator and hope these resources help you get parents excited about *PhD Science*.

Sincerely,

The *PhD Science* Team

P.S. We would love to see how your Family Night went. Share pictures and videos with us on Facebook, Twitter, or email at phdsience@greatminds.org.

What's inside your *PhD Science* Family Night Resource Pack?

Preparation Materials

Invitations: Templates for email and hard copy invitations with details on what to expect at Family Night

PhD Science Family Night Overview

An overview handout to share with the parent or guardian before the event or on the night of the event before sending them to the various activity stations

Family Night Printouts

Parent Letter: A brief overview of the curriculum and free parent resources

Family Night Activities

Three sample *PhD Science* activities per grade band K-2 and 3-5 for families to explore

Steps to Preparing and Following Up on a Family Night for *PhD Science*

PREPARE

1. Use the invitation templates to notify parents or guardians of the upcoming Family Night.
2. Collect RSVPs so you can prepare the room and have enough materials.
3. Print the guardian letter to hand out at the event.
4. Set up activity stations where families can try *PhD Science* activities.
5. Consider displaying student work at the event.

FOLLOW UP

1. Use our evaluation template to collect feedback on Family Night. Use this feedback to plan your next Family Night.
2. Share photos and videos of your Family Night with the *PhD Science* team on Facebook, Twitter, or email at phdscience@greatminds.org.
3. Send follow-up communications.
 - Send parents who attended Family Night a thank you note with a reminder about the *PhD Science* parent resources. It's fun to include photos.
 - Send parents who were unable to attend a recap of Family Night and information on the *PhD Science* parent resources and where to find them.