

Dear Educator,

Thank you for downloading our Family Math Night resources. Getting parents on board with a new math curriculum can feel daunting, but it doesn't have to be. Hosting a *Eureka Math*™/EngageNY Math parent night is a great way to introduce the curriculum and its many online resources.

To help you plan your Family Math Night, we've included a variety of resources in this pack, including invitation templates, printable handouts, and a customizable presentation.

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

Sincerely, The *Eureka Math* Team

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

What's inside your Math Night Resource Pack?

PREPARATION MATERIALS

Invitations Templates for email, hard copy, and flyer invitations with details on

what to expect at Family Math Night.

Math Night Flyer Fill in the time, date, and location of Family Math Night on this

template, and make copies to hang around your school or classroom.

FAMILY MATH NIGHT PRINTOUTS

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

how to create a Great Minds® account to access the resources.

Available in English and Spanish.

Printable Postcard A handy card outlining the free resources available to parents and

how to access them. Must be cut for distribution.

Sample Problems An overview of the strategies and tools students learn in *Eureka*

Math. Multipage document, must be collated and stapled for

distribution.

PRESENTATION MATERIALS

Presentation Template

A customizable presentation that includes information on *Eureka Math* and its resources, sample problems for parents to try, and the following two short videos:

- **Parent Video:** Our teacher—writers explain how *Eureka Math* differs from other curricula and what parents should expect in the year ahead.
- Introducing Number Bonds: Our teacher—writers explain one of the many models used in *Eureka Math* to help parents understand why students benefit from knowing multiple problem-solving strategies.



EIGHT STEPS TO HOSTING A FAMILY MATH NIGHT

- 1. Use the **invitation templates** to notify parents of the upcoming Family Math Night.
- 2. Personalize, copy, and post the **Family Math Night flyer** around your school or classroom so parents and students know about Family Math Night.
- 3. Collect **RSVPs** so you can prepare the room and have enough handouts.
- 4. Adapt the **presentation template**. Add your school and district details, organize the slides, and include any additional information parents should know. Allocate about an hour for Family Math Night, allowing time to review the handouts, present the slides, answer questions, and conduct other activities you choose to include. See Other Ideas below.
- 5. Print the **parent letter**, **sample problems**, and **parent postcard** to hand out to each parent or couple. *Some handouts need to be collated and stapled*.
- 6. Send follow-up communications.
 - Send parents who attended Family Math Night a thank you note with a reminder about the *Eureka Math* parent resources. It's fun to include photos!
 - Send parents who were unable to attend a recap of Family Math Night and information on the *Eureka Math* parent resources and where to find them.
- 7. Use our **evaluation template** to collect feedback on Family Math Night. Use this feedback to plan your next Family Math Night.
- 8. **Share photos and videos** of your Family Math Night with the *Eureka Math* team on Facebook, Twitter, or at tellus@greatminds.org.

OTHER IDEAS

- Set up activity stations where parents can try *Eureka Math* problems.
- Get students involved. Let them teach parents about a Eureka Math model or strategy.
- Show a video of *Eureka Math* in action in your classroom.
- Display student work.

FAMILY MATH NIGHT INSPIRATION IN THE NEWS

Follow the links below to read stories about *Eureka Math* Family Math Nights we've collected from all over the country to help you get started.

Garden City USD 457 (Kansas)

"Educators, students, parents transitioning into new math" by Austin Fisher, *The Garden City Telegram*

J. I. Barron Sr. Elementary School (Louisiana)

"Faculty at J. I. Barron teach Eureka Math to parents" by Leigh Guidry, *The Town Talk*

Multiple Schools and Districts

"Common Core math can be a mystery, and parents are going to school to understand it"

by Lyndsey Layton, The Washington Post

Bolivar R-1 Schools (Missouri)

<u>"Eureka: Bolivar R-1 Schools to host parent meetings on new math resource"</u> by Jessica Drews, BolivarMoNews.com

Gardner Street Elementary (California)

<u>"To Teach Math Well, I Had to Re-Learn It and Try a New Approach"</u> by Lisa Watts-Lawton, *SEEN Magazine*