



Ohio Statewide

# Family Engagement Center

—at The Ohio State University

## Redesign for Family Engagement

**Family engagement is not one-size-fits-all. Rather, with more choices, supports and flexibility, more families will be able to support their school-age child's learning at home.**

Here are the **BIG universal design ideas** to consider:

1. Highlight the relevance for families. How will this be enjoyable? Interesting? Important for the child or family?
2. Present information and opportunities to families in different ways that address challenges.
3. Provide multiple ways that families can choose to be engaged in a way that fits their family.

**Choose a current school strategy/activity for engaging families. Describe it.**

**Name of the activity:** \_\_\_\_\_

**When:**

**Where:**

**How:**

**Who:**

**What:**

**Questions:**

1. What is the ideal goal of the activity for the student?
2. What is the ideal goal of the activity for the family?
3. Who would not have access to the current activity? What barriers exist?

## Redesign it!

Thinking creatively, how can we revivify this activity for engaging the families of all students?

1. What different options do we have to eliminate the barriers for families?
2. What are some other opportunities we can provide to get to the same goal? What are other ways we can communicate about this goal with families?
3. Why should this matter to families? How can we communicate the relevance with them?
4. How many different ways are there for families to respond in support of this goal?

Contact [OhioSFEC@osu.edu](mailto:OhioSFEC@osu.edu) or visit <https://OhioFamiliesEngage.osu.edu> for more training/tips/tools to support family engagement in your community!

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