

November Family Engagement Calendar

Elementary School Edition

November 1 to November 30



November is Family Engagement Month.

Come discover exciting ways to learn, laugh, and grow together!"

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"Gratitude Jar": Set up a jar at home where each family member can write down things they are grateful for and add them to the jar.

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Daylight Savings Time Ends.
Show your child how to change the time as we fall back one hour.

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Read-alouds: Make reading aloud a regular, cozy tradition, whether at bedtime or another time of day.

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Election Day. Take your child with you as you cast your vote. Talk about the importance of voting and its impact.

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"Kindness Jar": Decorate a jar together and add a small token, like a bean or bead, each time someone does something kind for another person.

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Plan a day with no electronics.
Consider a nature day. Take a walk or ride around the neighborhood or visit the park.

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Have a family game night. Play board games or card games to encourage teamwork and conversation.

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Create a memory book.
Document family traditions and special memories in a scrapbook.

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Shape Scavenger Hunt: Go around the house or yard to find objects of different shapes. Have kids identify the shape and count how many they find.

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Join the NJ Family Engagement Hub
Mindfulness Workshop at 6:00 p.m. [Sign up here.](#)

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Veterans' Day. Talk to your child about why we honor those who courageously serve our country.

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Family Reflection

What's your favorite activity from this month?

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Encouragement. Put a note into your child's backpack or lunchbag as a token of encouragement.

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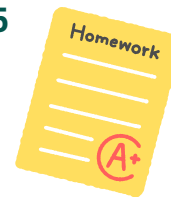
Family field trips. Arrange educational outings to local museums, historical sites, or other community locations.

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Home beautification projects. Pick a home improvement project and work on it together.

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Help your child with their homework to reinforce what they're learning at school.

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Talk to your child and brainstorm their strengths together. Create a "My Strengths Are" board.

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"How am I feeling?" routine. At the end of the day, ask each family member to share how they are feeling, both verbally and with a facial expression.

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Join the NJ Family Engagement Hub workshop: **Helping Kids Choose Wisely** at 6:00 p.m. [Sign up here.](#)

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Join the NJ Family Engagement Hub workshop: **Empowered Kids: Building Self-care and Responsibility** at 6:00 p.m. [Sign up here.](#)

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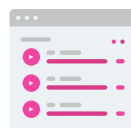
Emotion masks. Have children and family members create masks or paper plate faces that express different emotions, then use them for role-playing and games.

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Teach kids about the Local Library. Tell your kids about your town's local library – where it is located, what they can find there, and what kinds of events the community may hold there.

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Create a family playlist on Spotify or Apple Music, where you can dance, stretch, and roll to the music. Aim for spending 15-20 minutes exercising together

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Build a family tree. Use construction paper, markers, and photos to create a family tree.

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November family fun starts here!

Join **NJFEHUB Fridays & Youth Engagement Saturdays** on Instagram for activities, highlights, and inspiration.

Follow **SPAN @spanadvocacy**, and make your weekends epic!

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Budgeting. Create a Thanksgiving shopping list and budget. Take a trip to the grocery store to practice counting money, calculating totals, and making change.

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Read with Me. Read a book, article, magazine, or newspaper with your child.

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Kitchen Math. Involve children in cooking or baking. They can help measure ingredients, double recipes, or calculate cooking times.

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Thanksgiving Day. A day of gratitude. Write or draw a card sharing- What You Are Thankful For.

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Clean Up. Sort through unused clothes and household items. Make piles by color, size, and style—shirts, pants, socks, etc. Kids can join in for a fun sorting and learning activity!

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Learn a new language. Practice saying greetings or learning basic words together.

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Host an arts and crafts day. Create traditional crafts from different cultures or make portraits from family photos.