**Parent Leadership Institute Family Engagement Event**

**Group 1: Parent’s with big ideas**

**Bike Rodeo/Bike Event**

* This event if for families with kids all ages.
* The police and fire departments are also invited
* Same with the media.

There will be stations set up.

Some stations include:

* Helmet check
* Bike safety
  + Teach kids how to ride on streets
  + Hand signals
  + Safety check (run by dads)
  + Bike registration area

Have a 1 mile road course (blocked off by local police)

* Fire safety area
* Police safety area
* Snack station

Ask the police department to donate unclaimed bikes so that every child can have a bike to ride.

Suggestions:

* Have door prize/raffle for a new bike (this will help with attendance).

**Group 2: Awesomesauce**

**Fossil Designs:**

There is a place called Stone Rose in Republic, WA. This place will work with you and your center on identifying and digging up fossils.

**Picnic Event:**

This event will have booths at each booth there will be a different activity. This will be held in a public park so that everyone can come and it keeps the cost down. Having the event in the park is a good way for the community to learn more about your program and resources available to them. Each family will have a chance to make their own Piñata to take home.

**Group 3:**

Stone Soup Event: Where all families come together and bring one ingredient to add the larger soup.

Poetry Slam

Gym Night

Soccer Night

Tie Dye T-shirt Event

How to paint event: bring in an art teacher

Pampering Parents Night (Massages, pedi, mani)

**Group 4:**

Sequim Spring Event

Treasure hunt:

* Use plastic eggs filled with toys and have the kids go around and find the eggs.

**More Ideas:**

Art walk: Devise an art walk within your program and invite your families and community members to attend. Art can have a theme or just have different classroom art. It was said that having the process of what the kids did is helpful and people liked that aspect of the walk.

Story time: Invite local leaders in your community to come and read to the kids in your program. They can

Story Activity: Have a few different rooms available. In the first room you can read a story to the kids, in the second room they can act out the story, in the third room they can draw out the story and at the end the kids can take what they made home with them.

Bird feeders: You can have an activity where families come to your program and make bird feeders.