



Classroom Level Activities for Male Engagement

Reading with father's (Literacy week/month) - invite father's to bring their child's favorite book to read to them or if comfortable to the whole class. Offer opportunities for fathers to help organize book fairs.

Lunch Buddies-even with hectic schedules, men can find time to participate in a lunch buddies program. The buddies meet with their child weekly or monthly, mentoring them over lunch. If it works better for the fathers, make it a breakfast buddies program.

Artwork Week/Month- encourage male role model to create a masterpiece at school or home to share with the children. Display the artwork in the classroom to encourage ownership.

Game Boards Night- invite male role models over for appropriate board game night. Allow males the opportunity to share any new games with the children. Children will engage with the males and learn how to take turns as well.

Cooking with Daddy Day- invite fathers to share their child's favorite healthy dish to make in class. Allow for food demos. Encourage fathers to continue sharing recipes and posting them on the Parent Board.

Share Day with Daddy- invite fathers to share any projects or weekend trips with their child. Encourage children to bring pictures of their interaction with their fathers.

Garden with Daddy- invite fathers to assist in creating an indoor or outdoor garden for the classroom. Encourage fathers to assist their children in maintaining the garden. This allows for children to find interest in fruits and veggies.

Movie Night- invite male role models for a movie night with their child. Movies can be aligned with curriculum for the month. This is a great way for males to engage with other males in the classroom.

Recycle Building Week- encourage fathers to recycle and bring in materials to create something with their child. This is a great opportunity to engage with fathers and learn of their interest.

Music Day- encourage all male role models to come and display their musical talents. Children will learn about different musical instruments and be inspired to play. This is a great opportunity if role model wishes to teach children how to play the instrument.