

COLLABORATION

Here is how one Idaho library plans to Build a Community of Readers for Family Reading Week:

Partners: Public elementary schools, private elementary schools, Head Start, WIC, local businesses

Summary: The **public library** will host the event but will enlist the help and planning of the school librarians, principals, and teachers from both **public and private schools**. The school libraries will display promotional materials, and advertise in school newsletters, school blogs, and the community events calendar. Teachers will include the event in classroom newsletters, and there will be a classroom door decorating contest in each school. School marquees will advertise Family Reading Week.

The local **WIC** office and **Head Start** will post promotional flyers; during Family Reading Week the library will donate free books to these two organizations in order to encourage early literacy and increase participation in the library's FRW events.

The local **newspaper** will advertise the event, and local **businesses** will display posters and flyers. Marquees at the local burger drive-in and Key Bank will announce the event.

FAMILY READING WEEK COLLABORATIVE EVENTS:

Monday: Favorite Literary Character Day

Schools: Favorite characters activities, decorate classroom door like a favorite class book.

Library: Printables of favorite characters

Tuesday: Fun with Rhyming

Schools: Visit public library to receive pocket poems

Library: Storytime outreach to Head Start and WIC, hand out free books and packets of early literacy information

Wednesday: Read Aloud Day

Schools: "Drop Everything and Read" at end of school day



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Library: Special guest speaker will recount her family's tour of Europe and how they incorporated home schooling and family togetherness. Refreshments.

Thursday: Read Anything Day

Schools: Encourage reading for fun

Library: Graphic Novels and Comic Book Day; Calvin and Hobbes Day. Teens: Party and crafts in basement

Friday: Pajama Read-In

Pajama Party at public library with reading, games, movies, food, giveaways, prizes. Families build a brick wall of readers—every book read at party goes on brick to place on wall.

Saturday: Grand Opening of new branch library



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