

Turning the Page Community Nights

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Turning the Page links public schools, families, and our community, so that together, we can ensure students receive valuable educational resources and a high-quality public education.

Our K-8th grade schools:

- ***Frazier International Magnet Elementary School***
- ***Joseph Kellman Elementary School***
- ***Legacy Charter School***
- ***William Penn Elementary School***
- ***Sumner Math & Science Academy***



Community Nights (CNs)

Outcomes:

- ***Elevate parents' confidence to support students academically and emotionally***
- ***Enable parents to connect with each other and their child's teachers***
- ***Provide opportunities to learn new skills and acquire new knowledge***

Components:

- ***3:20 – 4:45 PM: Staff prep, volunteer orientation***
- ***5:00 – 5:30 PM: Family dinner***
- ***5:30 – 6:45 PM: Parent workshop***
 - ***Students separate into their own workshops based on age group***
- ***6:50 – 7:00 PM: Book giveaways***

2018-19 Topics at CNs

- *Reader's Theater*
- *SEL – Social Awareness*
- *Artistic Literacy*
- *STEAM – Engineering*
- *Author Visit*
- *Family Fitness*



Student Workshops

- **Outcomes:**
 - *Structured activities while parents attend a workshop*
 - *Children practice literacy and social skills in small groups*
- **Components:**
 - *Read aloud*
 - *Hands-on activity or game*
 - *Free book at the end of the night*



Benefits of Strong Family Engagement

- *In 2017-2018 school year, 518 parents, 707 students, and 89 teachers participated in our programs in Chicago.*
- *Over 2285 books distributed to Chicago families each year.*
- *95% of parents who attended CNs reported they've gained new knowledge about supporting their child's literacy development at home.*
- *89% of surveyed parents, who attended more than one CN, reported using a TTP provided resource (which includes books) at home after CN.*
- *96% of participating parents reported developing stronger relationships with teachers from their child's school.*

How to Get Involved...

- *Community Night takeovers*
 - *One organization provides up to six volunteers for an evening.*
 - *Volunteers will help serve families dinner, read to students, and co-facilitate small group activities in the student workshops.*
 - *Volunteers may also help with other logistical tasks like signing families in, general student workshop oversight, providing a safe environment for children, etc.*

Thank you for listening!

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