

Ways to Involve Parents in the 2021 Virtual Statewide Parent Involvement Conference  
 A Compilation of suggestions by attendees on the Brainstorming Session  
 October 6, 2021

**Possible Ways to Shift VIRTUAL Conference Obstacles into Opportunities**

Space:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School or public library</li> <li>• Gym</li> <li>• Computer lab</li> <li>• Churches</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Local Business or restaurants</li> <li>• Community Center</li> <li>• ESC</li> <li>• Public Park or drive-up movie style</li> </ul> |
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Technology:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “Watch Parties” at library, computer lab, church, ESC, etc.</li> <li>• Bus Wifi, hot spots</li> <li>• Device checkout &amp; return</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Instructional videos on how to log in, set up, hook up, etc.</li> <li>• IT help (on call or in person)</li> </ul> |
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Lunch/ Food:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gift cards for food</li> <li>• Donations from local eateries and grocery stores</li> <li>• Education Foundation</li> <li>• PTA</li> <li>• Potluck</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Retired Community Leaders</li> <li>• Drive-by pick up</li> <li>• Grub hub/ DoorDash</li> <li>• Bagged lunches donated by churches or other local businesses</li> <li>• Work with school cafeteria</li> </ul> |
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Childcare:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Craft Workshops or fun, learning activities</li> <li>• Offer Comp time for paras in exchange for playing games/monitoring kids</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• College and/or high school students in need of volunteer hours (1+ school personnel required)</li> <li>• Matinee movie in library (Parent or student Volunteer to assist)</li> </ul> |
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Misc.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Raffles, prizes, etc. donated from local businesses &amp; host your own raffles/gift give away</li> <li>• <i>ESSER funds are available to use if identified in the CNA as a need and documented in the CIP</i></li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gift Boxes delivered to their house</li> <li>• Free books from local or school libraries (many will thin out books regularly)</li> <li>• Time- All paid attendees will receive 1 year of unlimited access to all breakout session recordings.</li> </ul> |
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**Send out a Parent Needs Assessment to see what is preventing parents from attending the conference.**

