

Math and Muffins Event Lumberg Elementary School Edgewater, CO



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Lumberg Elementary wanted to implement a program for students and their families to understand additional ways to promote learning at home, particularly during “everyday life.” The Family Engagement Committee, teachers, parent representatives, and the Family Engagement Liaison worked together to create the Math and Muffins event.

During the Math and Muffins event, families enjoyed playing math games and learning how to promote continued learning outside of the school walls. Lumberg is a dual language school and the programs, promotions, materials, and activities were carried out in both English and Spanish. Teachers differentiated games and activities based on ability, grade level, and developmental stages of the students.



Lumberg’s family liaison explains: “The ideas for the program were based on fairly easy to find resources and games that are popular and often well known, but highlighting them as educational opportunities was a key aspect of the program. It created a real aha-moment for many families that now will be encouraging these type of activities, even over watching an educational TV show, which is more static and less interactive than a game with family at home.”



The event’s planning committee offers the following advice for anyone wanting to conduct a similar activity: “Keep it simple and doable for the program to be carried out easily and in a fun way. If it is possible to provide inexpensive materials and items for the families to take with them, that would be helpful as well. Making it fun, easy and simple will ultimately be the reason why anyone would love to bring the activities home!”