## Welcoming Families to Your Program

There are so many ways families can participate in your family child care home. Some of ways to have families participate are listed in the right column.

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<th>Encouraging Family Participation</th>
<th>Possibilities</th>
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| What activities are families invited to attend? | • Group Play-dates  
• Plays  
• Field trips  
• Family nights  
• Family breakfasts  
• Special events  
• Other: |
| How do you make families feel like a part of your program? | • Posting family photographs in the home  
• Including children’s books about families  
• Calling family members by name  
• Asking them to volunteer in program activities  
• Other: |
| How do you get families involved in your program? | Art:  
Encouraging families to work on a simple art project  
Music:  
Inviting families in to share play music with children  
Encouraging family to share music from their culture  
Cooking:  
 Asking families for recipes to create a program cookbook  
Allow parent to help prepare a snack with children  
Outdoors:  
 Creating family field day at a park  
Other: |
| What opportunities do families in your program have to participate in other program activities? | • Large group meetings  
• Family nights  
• Family councils in the community  
• Other:  
| What parent education programs does your local community offer? | Language classes  
Nutrition course  
Other:  
| What family resources do you offer? | • Local schools information and resources  
• Service specific military information for families  
• Other:  