

IDEAS for PUBLIC EDUCATION INITIATIVE

Host an Experience Party

1. Invite children who may not have had the experiences listed below.
2. Set up a large area (fellowship hall) or use Sunday School classrooms and have several activities occurring simultaneously.
3. Include intergenerational adults.
4. Think of other activities in which your adults have expertise.

Ideas:

Reading tent – have a variety of books and allow child to choose. Read together or have child read to you if possible. Write a story about the selected book

Have a picnic on the grounds or in the play area.

Set up a craft area for scrapbooking, jewelry making, plastic canvas, or other crafts in which your adult leaders currently participate.

Arrange a variety of yarns, crochet hooks, and knitting needles where knitting and crocheting can be taught.

Sewing area – bring portable machines, fabric, and patterns and make garments children can take home such as an apron or sleep pants.

Photography – buy disposable cameras and make pictures of activities.

Puzzle area – provide puzzles with a variety of levels of difficulty

Individual or Group Activities

Possibilities are limitless. These are just a few to get your imagination flowing.

Make cookies – take some home and to shut ins.

Make home-made ice cream.

Play hide and seek.

Blow bubbles.

Play kick ball.

Play with a hoola hoop.

Play catch.

Draw pictures on sidewalk with colored chalk.

Play toss games.

Play hopscotch.

Act out a story.

Have a movie party.

Perform a drama.

Adopt a grandchild.

Get a library card.

Go out to eat.