



## How do I plan a celebration of learning?

A celebration process starts with **reflection** and leads to a final **presentation**. Kids reflect on what they've learned and how they grew as a learner. Then they present!

### Celebration steps generally stay the same:

- **STEP 1: Plan the event.**

Save the date and announce the event—easy peasy!

- **STEP 2: Prepare your kids.**

Preparing to celebrate is as important as the celebration itself. Luckily, you're probably doing most of this anyway.

» **Explain the celebration.** Discuss what a celebration of learning is and ask what kids would like to present in their celebration of learning.

» **Learn!** Lead your kids through their learning. You can celebrate all kinds of growth.

**Facilitate reflection.**

» When ready, invite your kids to reflect.

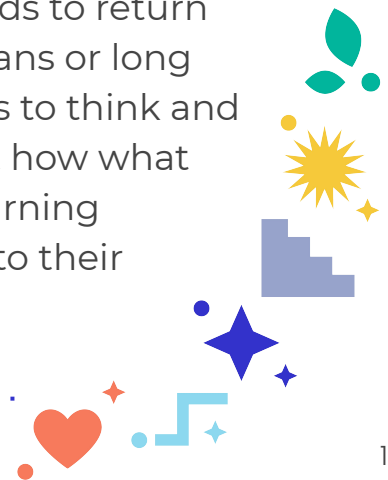
- **STEP 3: Practice.**

Before the actual celebration, kids should practice presenting, using the sample agenda below. **Provide feedback on that practice** to help kids think about how they can improve their presentation for the celebration.

- **STEP 4: Celebrate.** It's time!

### Reflection is essential.

It cements learning and helps kids prepare for their big presentation! Offer open-ended reflection questions, and ask kids to return to their plans or long term goals to think and talk about how what they're learning connects to their goals.





# Your Celebration Agenda!

## Welcome and Introductions

**LEADER:** Welcome the audience and explain the event. (3–5 min)

- **Describe** the purpose of the celebration of learning.
- **Explain** the sequence of events.
- **Share** excitement about the kids' growth over a period of time.
- **Introduce** kids as they take their turns presenting.

## Student Presentations

**KIDS:** Take your turn presenting your learning. (Time varies)

- **Describe** the project or activity you worked on in your own words.
- **Present** your work on a project or other activity.
- **Discuss** your reflections to share what you've learned about yourself, others, the topic, and the world around you.
- **Express** thanks to the audience and anyone who helped you in your learning journey.
- **Answer** questions from the audience.
- **Ask** for feedback to help improve your work in the future.

## Conclusion

**LEADER:** Wrap things up! (3–5 min)

- **Congratulate** kids and thank them for their informative presentations and dedication to growth and learning.

## After

**ALL:** Reflect on the celebration and audience feedback. (5–10 min)

- **Think** about how you will use what you learned today to improve future goal setting, learning experiences, and celebrations of learning.

