
FAMILY LITERACY CARNIVAL

Date: Sunday, January 28, 2018

Time: 2:00-4:00 PM (drop in)

Location: MacEwan University City Centre Campus-109 St. & 104 Ave. Edmonton, AB;
Building 9 Heart of the Robbins (*Main floor cafeteria; Enter at main doors of the building located on the west corner of 109 St. and 104 Ave.*)

Parking: Parking available at meters underground or the West Parkade

Cost: FREE!!

Website: <http://macewan.goldenkey.org/family-literacy-carnival>

About the Carnival:

Members of the MacEwan University chapter of Golden Key and The Centre for Family Literacy are collaborating to host the fifth annual Family Literacy Carnival in recognition of National Family Literacy Day. **This FREE event offers interactive, fun literacy activities for families with pre-readers and readers of all ages.** Each child will receive a “passport”. As they visit the 8 literacy stations, they will collect stamps to earn a free book!

The MacEwan University Golden Key students are excited about this event. They plan the activities, purchase and prepare materials needed, participate in promotions, recruit student volunteers to assist, plan the setup for the carnival, and really enjoy interacting with families and their children who attend.

Stations:

Station themes for the carnival include: **Math, Science, Play and Learn, Health, Technology, Music, Indigenous, and a Surprise station!** Families who visit a minimum of 4 stations and have their passports stamped will receive a free children’s book to take home with them!

There are 2 activities at each station (one for **readers** and one for “**pre**”-readers). The activities are intended for parents and guardians to do along with their children. All families with children are welcome!

Special Guests!

We'll have a variety of special guests attending the event!

- Donna Lemieux; Director of Development & Community Engagement; Centre for Family Literacy
- [Deborah Saucier](#); President of MacEwan University
- [Edmonton Eskimos](#)
- MacEwan University Golden Key [Executive Committee](#)
- [Edmonton Public Library](#)

There is also some great takeaway information from:

- [Active for Life](#)
- [Alberta Health Services - Nutrition](#)

About the Event Hosts:

- [Golden Key](#): The Golden Key International Honour Society promotes service, community involvement and leadership development for top academic students in Universities across the globe. The MacEwan University chapter is pleased to co-host this event.
- [Centre for Family Literacy](#): “Today, 4 out of 10 Albertans struggles with literacy. Imagine their challenges - school, books, job applications, safety manuals, menus, prescriptions, instructions, signs, maps . . . Imagine the cost to society - to education, healthcare, social services, the criminal justice system, the economy, you. Imagine what Alberta could achieve if everyone could read. At the Centre for Family Literacy, we are committed to helping build, develop and improve literacy in Alberta.”

National Family Literacy Day:

“[Family Literacy Day](#) is a national awareness initiative created by ABC Life Literacy Canada in 1999 and held annually on January 27 to raise awareness of the importance of reading and engaging in other literacy-related activities as a family. Taking time every day to read or do a learning activity with children is crucial to a child’s development. Even just 15 minutes a day can improve a child’s literacy skills dramatically, and can help a parent improve their skills as well.”

Event Contact

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