

## **Create a Community of Engaged Families with Waterford Family Academy**

When families are involved in the learning process, children experience greater academic success. The priority of Waterford Family Academy is to ensure that parents and caregivers of PreK-2nd grade children have additional resources as their child's first teacher to enhance their learning at home.

Families develop an understanding of how to support their child's learning at-home and why specific academic and mindset skills are so important to their learning journey. Parents and caregivers join sessions with their child so the entire family can learn together.

### **Waterford Family Academy uses a workshop model where families:**



### **Academic Skill + Mindset Skill + Practice Time**

Families leave sessions prepared with step-by-step instructions and resources to keep the learning happening at home.

#### **The Waterford team takes care of everything, including:**

- Promotional flyers
- Family registration
- Session delivery by expert facilitators
- Session materials
- Family incentives
- Bilingual support

**Quality family engagement has never been easier!**

## Waterford Family Academy Model Comparison

The **Waterford Family Academy Engagement Model** offers individual sessions to fill a specific need such as a literacy night, phonics bingo, or fun activities with math manipulatives.

The **Waterford Family Academy Cohort Model** follows a curriculum rooted in the science of reading, with a minimum of six sessions that build on the knowledge gained in previous sessions.

No matter which option you choose, Waterford Family Academy is designed by curriculum experts to ensure that sessions are developmentally appropriate, aligned to early learning skills, and fun for families.

What's Included	Engagement Model	Cohort Model
Implementation planning meeting	✓	✓
Promotional flyers	✓	✓
Session delivery led by an expert facilitator	✓	✓
Session materials	✓	✓
Practical strategies for at-home learning	✓	✓
Available in English and Spanish	✓	✓
Family survey upon completion	✓	✓
Maximum number of participants	<b>100 families</b>	<b>30 families/session</b>
Single session	✓	
Session selection (literacy, math, or science themed events)	✓	
Consecutive sessions are delivered using detailed facilitator's guides following a sequenced set of skills aligned to the science of reading and/or foundational math skills (over 6, 10, or 20 weeks)		✓
Educator overview of Waterford Family Academy		✓
Direct communication to families		✓
Session includes a mindset skill		✓
End of cohort celebration activity		✓
Summary reports		✓

**9 out of 10 families recommend Waterford Family Academy!**