

# ACTIVITY IDEAS FOR SCHOOLS

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## Easy In-School Activities

1. Teachers & administrators can hand out National School Choice Week (NSCW) wristbands to students.
2. Hang homemade posters in the school hallway & have students & teachers pose for photos.
3. Have students fill out the "I Love My School" placards, & post photos of the students holding these placards to social media using #schoolchoice.
4. Have students make a quick video about why they love their school, & share it with us.
5. Encourage students to decorate their lockers or classroom doors & announce winners during NSCW.
6. Have a "Yellow Day," where students & teachers wear yellow clothing or accessories.
7. Have a student dress-down day where students could dress outside of their normal uniforms.
8. Download our free printable activities, which include word searches, mazes, quizzes & more for your students. These sheets combine fun, learning activities while celebrating NSCW.
9. Students & teachers can learn & perform the NSCW dance & video it, then upload & share it using #schoolchoice. Watch the tutorial at: [www.schoolchoiceweek.com/dance](http://www.schoolchoiceweek.com/dance).
10. Invite a local dignitary, such as your mayor or a county leader, to visit your school & talk with students.
11. Launch a contest to design the school's yearbook cover or school flag.
12. Have students bring in & decorate t-shirts, or paint a school wall or mural.

## Appreciation Activities

13. Send "thank you" letters home with students for their parents & guardians.
14. Encourage students to keep a gratitude or thankfulness journal during NSCW, detailing the different ways they are grateful for their parents & for your school.
15. Give students construction paper or note cards & ask them to write notes to their parents, thanking them for choosing your school.

## Learning Activities

1. Plant a community garden during NSCW.
2. Develop a special class, play, or video about your school's history.

## Activities to Increase Enrollment

1. Arrange socially-distanced school tours for prospective students & their parents.
2. Conduct interviews with local radio & television shows to promote your school.
3. Post information & photos about your school on social media during NSCW using #schoolchoice.

## Community Activities

1. Hold a student poster & essay contest, & publish winning submissions in your local newspaper.
2. Take photos at recognizable community landmarks, with students & teachers wearing their NSCW wristbands.
3. Have students design & complete a community service project, & pose for pictures in their yellow scarves.
4. Students, parents, & teachers can attend a local city council, school board, or county commission meeting, & speak briefly about what school choice means to them.



*Note: We request that participants plan activities and projects to celebrate National School Choice Week 2021, not in-person events. Together, we can all do our part to stop the spread of COVID-19.*