



### Community Nights Focus on Math and Science

Archuleta Elementary hosted community nights centered around math and science on October 20 and November 9. The purpose of these events was to strengthen the school-to-home connection and create new opportunities for families to support their students' learning at home. Together, these events were attended by over 600 parents and students!

The math night was developed in response to requests from Archuleta parents for additional strategies to increase their students' math skills. Teachers collaborated with Archuleta's *Parents in Action* to create fun, engaging math activities that could be done at home as a family. At this community night, students and parents worked together to make math games focused on money and math computation that they could play at home. Archuleta parents Gabriel Estrada and Olga Olivas also taught workshops on how to utilize various internet websites to increase math skills. These strategies were reinforced at Archuleta's Thanksgiving Feast on November 17, when parents and students played math games together prior to their meal.

Students who attended the science night got a huge jump-start in preparing for the upcoming science fair. Along with their parents, third through fifth grade students were able to develop the science board template they will use for displaying their projects. Additionally, everyone in attendance was entertained by demonstrations given by a herpetologist, geologist, and cryogenicist.

Archuleta would like to extend a huge "thank you" to Community Resources, Inc. and *Parents in Action* for all of their support with coordinating these successful nights for our students and families!

