



Great Party Ideas!

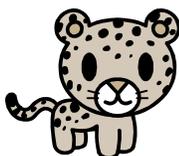
Plan games that will encourage interaction and include as many age groups as possible.

Fun Activities

- ◆ BBQ/Pot Luck
- ◆ Chalk art
- ◆ Treasure Hunt
- ◆ Exchange cookies
- ◆ Invite a speaker/entertainer
- ◆ Make a banner
- ◆ Dessert bar
- ◆ Face painting
- ◆ Talent show
- ◆ Collect for the food shelf
- ◆ Ice cream social/root beer floats
- ◆ Bicycle parade
- ◆ Karaoke
- ◆ Street dance
- ◆ Discuss crime prevention
- ◆ Bike parade
- ◆ Exchange recipes

Games & Competitions

- ◆ Frisbee throw
- ◆ Shoot free throws
- ◆ Play croquet
- ◆ Jump rope contest
- ◆ Play horseshoes
- ◆ Volleyball/badminton
- ◆ Seed spitting contest
- ◆ Play softball
- ◆ Tractor races
- ◆ Pet trick contest



- **Neighborhood Bingo** — Have cards with questions about neighbors in the squares. You'll need handouts and pens. If you get five correct answers in a row, you win.
 
- **Neighborhood Trivia** — You'll need handouts and pens. Provide a list of questions about Blaine or your block (make it multiple choice).
- **Bike Decorating or Party Hat Decorating** — You'll need plain party hats in assorted colors, glue sticks, feathers, cut up strips of ribbon, stickers, glitter, confetti, etc. Let the kids go at it and have a contest or parade and give prizes for various categories.
- **Balloon Relay** — You'll need two large plastic trash bags, a bag of balloons (use two colors, one for each team), and two chairs.
 

Form a start point and turn around point, placing the chairs at the turn-around point. Have each team form a line behind the starting line. At the signal, one person from each team runs (walks) with a balloon to the chair, sits on the balloon, bursts it, runs back, and tags the next player. Continue until each player has done the relay. The first team to finish, wins.
- **Concentration** — You'll need a tray, paper, pencils, and some common household items. Lay the items in a tray and have participants pass around the tray. Remove tray from sight and have participant's list what they remember. Give extra points or break ties by asking specific questions like what flavor sucker, etc.
- **"Two Truths and One Lie"** — Taking turns, the first person tells three statements, two that are true and one that is not. Everyone indicates which statement is a lie by holding up one, two, or three fingers.