

VIRTUAL AFTER-SCHOOL SCHOOL ACTIVITY OF THE WEEK

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THE MISSION

Each week, Project RISE will send out an activity that you can do virtually with the children and/or families in your program, either in a live, online session or by sending a video with instructions to parents. The activities are intended to give children opportunities to learn, express themselves, and feel connected to you and their after-school friends. Providing this on a weekly basis during this difficult time can also help to strengthen your relationship with the children, families, and communities you serve.



PREPARATION

The children in your program have not seen you in several weeks now. Here is an opportunity to have a pretend visit with each and every one of your program participants, while also encouraging them to read, write, measure, and -most importantly- use their imagination in a "FLAT AFTER-SCHOOL TEACHER ADVENTURE."

MATERIALS



- A bitmoji or other cartoon of the teacher
- Copies of the Flat After-School Teacher Letter and Activity Sheet
- Printer
- Scissors
- Children's Home Addresses
- Envelopes
- Stamps

OVERVIEW

While previous weeks' activities have been completely virtual, we wanted to mix things up and give your kids and staff a different experience this week. We have adapted the *Flat Teacher Adventure* for your after-school program to inspire new learning opportunities and allow staff, children, and families to reconnect.

CREATE IT

Start off by ensuring your staff are familiar with the "Flat Stanley" story (links provided in parent instructions). Staff will then create a fun, kid-friendly, cartoon version of themselves using free software such as [Bitmoji](#). Staff should print one cartoon version of themselves for each child who will be receiving one. When cutting out the flat after-school teacher, it is best to leave a little bit of extra white space around the edge. The staff should send the letter, [activity sheet](#), and the "flat after-school teacher" to the children they work with.

SHARE IT



Attach the instructions on the next sheet to an email to introduce "The Adventures of The Flat After-School Teacher" activity to your children and families. You may want to create a short video explaining the activity to generate excitement. Place the printed and cut Flat Teacher, letter, and activity sheet in stamped envelopes addressed to each family. Over the next few days, send out an email to ensure that each family received your package. If one does not arrive, you can resend or email all the files to the parent to print out or use digitally.



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INSTRUCTIONS FOR FAMILIES

1. You will be receiving a letter in the mail to the address our program has on file in the next week.
2. Read the letter with your child.
3. Using the links below, have your child watch the *Flat Stanley* read-aloud, or use the ebook PDF to read along with your child.
4. When your letter arrives, encourage your child to do as many activities as they can from the activity sheet.
5. Take photos of at least one activity to send back to us to share.
6. Send the best photo back to us via email.
7. If your child really enjoys this activity, they can make a flat version of themselves and send to our staff.

Flat Stanley by Jeff Brown

Click for the [read aloud video](#)

Click for the [Ebook PDF](#)

