

A Typical Bee Jamboree

10 minutes	Gathering story
10 minutes	Recite the Busy Bee theme & offer opening prayer
30 minutes	The Debrief
60 minutes	The Jamboree
10 minutes	Give a Busy Bee Cheer & offer closing prayer

Planning a Jamboree

Planning a Bee Jamboree is simple and fun. There is no 'right' way to throw a jamboree except that it be a celebration of your hive's efforts. Unless arrangements are made with parents, the jamboree lasts about 1 hour. As you plan, keep the needs and the personalities of your hive in mind and have fun!

Pick an activity: The possibilities are endless. Perhaps you want to play a series of games, perhaps have a slideshow of the project, perhaps watch a movie, have a dance, go on a field trip or simply mingle together over refreshments.

Invitations: Send out invitations to your Busy Bee via your email or Facebook page.

Pick a location: Perhaps you will meet at your regular meeting house or perhaps you will meet at a park. These possibilities are as large as your imagination.

Pick a time: Jamborees can be held on the regular meeting day unless you need to make other arrangements. Again, we suggest the Jamboree last an hour. However, this decision is left up to the discretion of your team.

Refreshments: It is not expected for Beekeepers to provide all the refreshments. Follow the example of the honeybee - everyone can help. Invite your Busy Bees to bring something. Be aware of allergies and special diets.

Decor: This is not mandatory but having streamers or banners might set the excitement for the Bees. You can decorate to theme if you have the time or desire.

Set up and Clean up: Set aside time before the Bee Jamboree to set up and to clean up afterwards.

Step-by-Step Bee Jamboree

1. Gather your Busy Bees in a circle and recite the Busy Bee Theme.
2. Open with a word of prayer.
3. Begin the Debrief by giving a brief recap of the Queen Bee Project you completed.
4. From the Debrief Bingo select 3 - 5 questions to discuss for the next 30 minutes.
5. Before Closing the Debrief, present the notes, letters or certificates to each Busy Bee.
6. Begin the Celebration!
7. Announce the next planning meeting.
8. The Busy Bees stand in a circle, taking the left hand of the person standing to the right of them and they give the Busy Bee Cheer.
9. Invite someone to say a closing prayer.
10. Invite everyone pitches in to clean up and Busy Bees go home.