

# The Parent Liaison Initiative

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## Increasing and sustaining school, family and community partnerships

The purpose of the Parent Liaison Team is to build relationships among families, community members and the school, in order to create partnerships for students' lifelong successes.



### Research has shown that:

- Parents and schools must work together consistently;
- Parents make a huge difference when given the opportunity;
- Schools need more ways to strengthen the home-school connection;
- Parents can't do it alone; schools can't do it alone. Everyone must work together for students to succeed.

### The Six Types of Parent Involvement

(Epstein, J. 2009.)

- Parenting
- Communicating
- Volunteering
- Learning at home
- Decision Making
- Collaborating with Community

### Parents are more likely to become involved if they...

- Understand they should be involved,
- Know they are capable of making a contribution,
- Feel invited by the school & their children.

### When parents are involved in their children's education, studies have shown that children:

- Have better grades and test scores;
- Enroll in higher-level programs;
- Adapt well to school and attend regularly;
- Have better social skills and behavior;
- Graduate and go on to higher education.

The Parent Liaisons are here to listen to your needs, concerns and ideas as we work together to support our students' academic achievements.

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