Parents and guardians are any school’s strongest allies for helping students achieve and thrive to their fullest potential. Robust two-way communication with students’ families cultivates a relationship between the home and the school that puts the families squarely on the school’s team when working with students.

Parent Participation Rates

![Graph showing parent participation rates for 2001-02, 2002-03, and 2003-04.]

What Parents Say

- Percent who report they agree or strongly agree that:
  - This school views parents as important partners.
  - The school and I have different goals for my child.
  - My child is learning as much as he/she can at this school.

What Teachers Say

- Percent who say that:
  - They meet with individual parents to solve problems and provide assistance.
  - Teachers on their team or grade level maintain positive relationships with students’ parents.
  - Two-way communication between home and school is essential to effective education.

What Teachers Say

- Percent who say they are satisfied or very satisfied with:
  - The extent to which parents and the community are supportive of the school and its program.