Engaging Families and Community

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

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* The percentage of students in the school whose parents responded to the SALT Survey

### What Teachers Say

**Parental involvement in school governance is essential to effective education.**

- **This school:** 80%
- **R.I. middle schools:** 60%

* Too few responses to report

* Inadequate data submitted

### What Parents Say

**Contacts me if my child does something well or improves**

- **This school:** 90%
- **R.I. middle schools:** 80%

**Contacts me if my child is having a problem**

- **This school:** 80%
- **R.I. middle schools:** 70%

**Responds to my concerns and requests within a reasonable time**

- **This school:** 70%
- **R.I. middle schools:** 60%

**Has a parent-teacher conference with me**

- **This school:** 60%
- **R.I. middle schools:** 50%

**Asks me to volunteer at the school**

- **This school:** 50%
- **R.I. middle schools:** 40%

### What Teachers Say

**They meet with individual parents to solve problems and provide assistance.**

- **This school:** 80%
- **R.I. middle schools:** 60%

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**Teachers on their team or grade level maintain positive relationships with students’ parents.**

- **This school:** 80%
- **R.I. middle schools:** 70%

**Two-way communication between home and school is essential to effective education.**

- **This school:** 80%
- **R.I. middle schools:** 70%

### What Teachers Say

**They use parents as school resources or volunteers.**

- **This school:** 50%
- **R.I. middle schools:** 40%

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