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.

### Community Support

#### What Parents Say

**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**

- **Percent who agree or strongly agree:**
  - Parental involvement in school governance is essential to effective education.

**Percent who report that at least weekly:**

- 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.

**Percent who say they are satisfied or very satisfied with:**

- That the community supports this school.
- The extent to which parents and the community are supportive of the school and its program.
- They are home unsupervised 3 or more hours a day, 3 or more days a week.

**Percent who agree or strongly agree:**

- 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.

**Percent who report at least monthly:**

- They use parents as school resources or volunteers.