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.**
  - Percent who agree or strongly agree:
  - This school: 70%
  - R.I. elementary schools: 65%

### What Parents Say

- **Contacts me if my child does something well or improves**
  - Percent who report that:
  - This school: 80%
  - R.I. elementary schools: 85%

- **Contacts me if my child is having a problem**
  - Percent who report that:
  - This school: 90%
  - R.I. elementary schools: 95%

- **Responds to my concerns and requests within a reasonable time**
  - Percent who report that:
  - This school: 85%
  - R.I. elementary schools: 90%

- **Has a parent-teacher conference with me**
  - Percent who report that:
  - This school: 70%
  - R.I. elementary schools: 75%

- **Asks me to volunteer at the school**
  - Percent who report that:
  - This school: 60%
  - R.I. elementary schools: 65%

### Teacher practices and attitudes

- **They meet with individual parents to solve problems and provide assistance.**
  - Percent who report that at least weekly:
  - This school: 50%
  - R.I. elementary schools: 45%

- **Teachers on their team or grade level maintain positive relationships with students’ parents.**
  - Percent who report that they agree or strongly agree that:
  - This school: 80%
  - R.I. elementary schools: 85%

- **Two-way communication between home and school is essential to effective education.**
  - Percent who report that:
  - This school: 75%
  - R.I. elementary schools: 80%

- **They use parents as school resources or volunteers.**
  - Percent who report that at least monthly:
  - This school: 40%
  - R.I. elementary schools: 45%